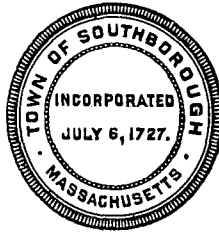


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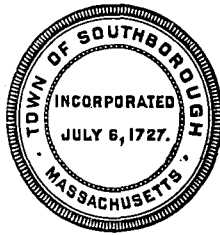
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**TOWN OF SOUTHBOROUGH, MASSACHUSETTS
INCORPORATED JULY 6, 1727**

Population 2775

Voters 1550

STATE AND COUNTY OFFICERS FOR 1952

Governor, Paul A. Dever

Lieutenant Governor, Charles Jeff Sullivan

Secretary, Edward J. Cronin

Treasurer, John E. Hurley

Auditor, Thomas J. Buckley

Attorney General, Francis E. Kelly

Senators in Congress, Leverett Saltonstall, Henry Cabot Lodge

Representative in Congress, Fourth District, Harold Donahue

Councillor, Seventh District, George A. Wells, Worcester

Senator, Fourth Worcester District, Joseph F. Gibney, Webster

Representatives in General Court, Ninth Worcester District,
Maurice E. Fitzgerald, Milford; William P. DiVitto,
Milford

County Commissioners, P. Eugene Casey, Milford; Francis E.
Cassidy, Webster

District Attorney, Alfred Cenadella, Milford

Clerk of Courts, William C. Bowen

Registrar of Deeds, Robert R. Gallagher

County Treasurer, Alexander C. Lajoie, Worcester

TOWN WARRANT
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Worcester, ss.

February 3, 1953

To either of the Constables of the Town of Southborough,

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the Town of Southborough, qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs, to meet in the Town House in said Southborough, on

Monday evening, March 9, 1953

at seven o'clock, then and there to take action on the following articles:—

Article 1. To hear the reports of the various Town Officers and Committees and take such action thereon as the Town may vote.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to fix for the calendar year, 1953, the salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town as provided by Section 108 of Chapter 41 of the General Laws as amended, which officers are as follows:—

One Moderator, One Town Clerk, One Treasurer, One Town Collector, Three Selectmen, Three Assessors, Three members of the Board of Public Welfare, Three members of the School Committee, Three Cemetery Commissioners, Three members of the Board of Health, Three Water Commissioners, Six members of the Board of Library Trustees, Five members of the Planning Board, and One Tree Warden.

It is recommended that the salaries of the elective officers of the Town be fixed as follows:

Moderator	\$25.00	School Committee (3)	300.00
Town Clerk	500.00	Cemetery	
Treasurer	500.00	Commissioners (3)	75.00
Town Collector	900.00	Water	
Selectmen (3)	750.00	Commissioners (3)	100.00
Assessors (3)	975.00	Tree Warden	25.00
Welfare		Board of Health	150.00
Committee (3)	150.00		

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,450.00 or such other sum of money as may be necessary, to pay the salaries of all elective Town Officers, or do or act thereon.

It is recommended that the sum of \$4,450.00 be raised and appropriated.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the Town's use and make appropriation of the same, or do or act anything in relation thereto.

Under this Article come all the appropriations for the General Government of the Town. The recommendations of the Advisory Committee are shown in the tabulated form and are included as part of the annual report.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to petition the Legislature to enact House Bill No. 570, now pending before the Legislature, which Bill reads as follows:—

"AN ACT VALIDATING THE ACTS AND PROCEEDINGS AT SPECIAL TOWN MEETINGS OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHBOROUGH HELD IN APRIL, MAY AND JUNE, 1952."

"Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

"Section 1. The action of the Special Town Meeting,

held in the Town of Southborough April 7, 1952, under which it was voted to appropriate five hundred thousand (\$500,000.00) dollars for the purpose of erecting and originally equipping a new elementary school building, and under which it was further voted to borrow five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000.00) for said purpose, is hereby validated and confirmed, notwithstanding the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 7, requiring an appropriation from revenue funds, and notwithstanding any vote or action taken at a Special Town Meeting held on May 26 and June 3, 1952.

"Section 2. This act shall become effective upon its passage,"

or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Town Counsel).

It is recommended that the Town vote to instruct the Selectmen to petition the Legislature to enact House Bill No. 570.

Article 6. To see if the Town will authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1953, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws, as amended, and pass any vote or take any action in relation thereto.

It is recommended that authority be given.

Article 7. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Assessors, to use free cash in the Town Treasury, and if so, what sum, for the purpose of reducing the amount to be raised and assessed as taxes in 1953, or pass any vote relative thereto.

Recommendation will be made from the Town House floor.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,338.95 as required by the County Com-

missioners, to pay a portion of the expense of the Worcester County Retirement System, of which the Town is a member, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen).

It is recommended that the sum of \$1,338.95 be raised and appropriated.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$450.00 for playground activities, managed under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Parent-Teachers Association).

It is recommended that the sum of \$450.00 be raised and appropriated.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen to pay the cost of supervision, maintenance, and to supply water, in connection with the use of the Fay School swimming pool, by the Inhabitants of the Town, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen).

It is recommended that the sum of \$500.00 be raised and appropriated.

Article 11. To see what disposition shall be made of the dog money.

It is recommended that the revenue obtained from the licensing of dogs be used as part of the appropriation for the library.

Article 12. To see if the Town will accept a contribution from Saint Mark's School, if any, and determine what disposition shall be made of the same, if accepted, or do or act anything in relation thereto.

It is recommended that the contribution be accepted and placed in the Town Treasury.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$400.00 for Private Tree Work, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Tree Warden).

It is recommended that the sum of \$400.00 be raised and appropriated.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250.00 to defray expenses of the Memorial Day exercises on May 30, 1953, under the auspices of the Bagley-Fay Post No. 161, American Legion, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Bagley-Fay Post No. 161, American Legion).

It is recommended that the sum of \$250.00 be raised and appropriated.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250.00 for the Memorial Day, May 30, 1953, observance exercises under the auspices of Choate Post 3276, Veterans of Foreign Wars, or do or act thereon. (Proposed by Choate Post 3276, Veterans of Foreign Wars).

It is recommended that the sum of \$250.00 be raised and appropriated.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the expenditure of the sum of \$500.00 from the Cemetery Reserve Fund, to be used for the purchase of loam, the payment of labor, and the maintenance of the Old Burying Ground, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Cemetery Commissioners).

It is recommended that the sum of \$500.00 be transferred from the Cemetery Reserve Fund.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from any of its available funds, a sum of money, for the purchase of an all-wheel-drive truck and snow plow, and to authorize the Selectmen to turn in, trade, sell, or otherwise dispose of

the 1936 Autocar truck and snow plow, now owned by the Town, the proceeds of said turn in, trade, sale or other disposal to be used as a part of the purchase price of said all-wheel-drive truck and snow plow, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and Superintendent of Streets).

Recommendation will be made from the Town House floor.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from any of its available funds, a sum of money for the purchase of a power-propelled-sidewalk snow plow and accessories and equipment in connection therewith, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and Superintendent of Streets).

It is recommended that this Article be dismissed.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from any of its available funds, a sum of money for the purchase of a sand spreader and accessories and equipment in connection therewith, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and Superintendent of Streets).

Recommendation will be made from the Town House floor.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty-five Hundred Dollars (\$3,500.00) for repairs and equipment for the Fayville Town Hall, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and Fayville Hall Committee).

Recommendation will be made from the Town House floor.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of installing cement-post-cable fences on any of its Highways, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and Superintendent of Streets).

Recommendation will be made from the Town House floor.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) for the purchase of tools, fertilizer, seeds, and repairs for the Fayetteville playground, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and Recreation Committee).

It is recommended that the sum of \$500.00 be raised and appropriated.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of a gas stove and equipment and installation thereof, for the Town Hall, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen).

It is recommended that this Article be dismissed.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed Thirty-five Hundred Dollars (\$3,500.00) to be used for the purchase and installation of a new oil-burning main heater for the Fay Library, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Library Trustees).

It is recommended that a sum of money not to exceed \$3,500.00 be raised and appropriated.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eighty-five Hundred Dollars (\$8,500.00) for the use of the School Committee for repainting the exterior and interior of Peters' High School, or take any action relating thereto. (Proposed by the School Committee).

It is recommended that the sum of \$8,500.00 be raised and appropriated.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,050.00 for Chapter 81 Highways, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and Superintendent of Streets).

It is recommended that the sum of \$7,050.00 be raised and appropriated.

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, the sum of \$12,925.00 for Chapter 81 Highways, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and Superintendent of Streets).

It is recommended that the sum of \$12,925.00 be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Account.

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 for Chapter 90 construction, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and Superintendent of Streets).

It is recommended that the sum of \$2,000.00 be raised and appropriated.

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, the sum of \$6,000.00 for Chapter 90 construction, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and Superintendent of Streets).

It is recommended that the sum of \$6,000.00 be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Account.

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$800.00 for Chapter 90 maintenance, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and Superintendent of Streets).

It is recommended that the sum of \$800.00 be raised and appropriated.

Article 31. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury the sum of \$1,600.00 for Chapter 90 maintenance, or do or act anything

in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and Superintendent of Streets).

It is recommended that the sum of \$1,600.00 be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Account.

Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, the sum of \$6,135.00 for highway equipment and maintenance, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and Superintendent of Streets).

Recommendation will be made from the Town House floor.

Article 33. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of \$1,150.00 to be used by the Moth Department to suppress or eliminate Dutch Elm Disease, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen).

It is recommended that the sum of \$1,150.00 be raised and appropriated.

Article 34. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of extending the water main in Prentiss Street in a westerly direction from the westerly terminus of the present water main in Prentiss Street for a distance of approximately four hundred (400) feet, said extension to be paid for at the annual rate of five (5) per cent of the cost of construction for twenty (20) years, and in such other manner, and on such other terms and agreements as the Town may impose by its vote, or as may be imposed by the Board of Water Commissioners, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by Edward C. Ramsdell and eleven others).

Recommendation will be made from the Town House floor.

Article 35. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,500.00 for the purpose of building

new sheds and store houses at the rear of the present Fire Station, on land recently acquired from the Worcester Suburban Electric Company, said buildings to be used for housing town equipment and material, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen).

Recommendation will be made from the Town House floor.

Article 36. To see if the Town will vote to transfer to Excess and Deficiency Account the unexpended balances of certain special appropriations as follows:—

School repairs —	
Fayville shingling, So. Union roofing	\$254.75
School repairs —	
So. Union Toilets, lockers	
So. Union and P. H. S. Annex floors	1,774.73
Water Extensions	
J. J. Trioli	366.20
Cross Street	73.45
Main Street	41.85
Maple Street	398.41
Memorial Day Exercises	29.31
P. T. A. Playground	.64
Repairing Honor Rolls	24.00
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	\$2,963.34

or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Town Accountant).

It is recommended that the sum of \$2,963.34 be transferred to the Excess and Deficiency Account.

Article 37. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to extend the Water Main on Woodland Road from the end of the present main to the property of Harold Barker, or approximately one thousand (1,000) feet, said extension to be paid for at the annual rate of five (5) per cent of the cost of construction for twenty (20) years, and in such other manner, and on such other terms and agreements as the Town may impose by its vote or as may be imposed by the Board of Water Commissioners, or do or

act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by Harold S. Barker and fourteen others).

Recommendation will be made from the Town House floor.

Article 38. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to extend the Water Main on Southville Road, easterly from the end of the present Main for a distance of approximately Twelve hundred (1,200) feet, said extension to be paid for at the annual rate of five (5) per cent of the cost of construction, for twenty (20) years, and in such other manner, and on such other terms and agreements as the Town may impose by its vote, or as may be imposed by the Board of Water Commissioners, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by Charles H. Lane and eleven others).

Recommendation will be made from the Town House floor.

Article 39. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of extending the Water Main on Marlboro Road northerly from the property of Vincent Dunn to the property of Edward Orzeck, or a distance of three hundred fifty (350) feet, said extension to be paid for at the annual rate of five (5) per cent of the cost of construction, for twenty (20) years, and in such other manner, and on such other terms and agreements as the Town may impose by its vote or as may be imposed by the Board of Water Commissioners, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by Henry D. Pietrasiak and seventeen others).

Recommendation will be made from the Town House floor.

Article 40. To see if the Town will vote to take any action to establish a Planning Board under Chapter 41, Section 81A to 81Y of the General Laws, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Town Clerk).

A recommendation is not required.

Article 41. To see if the Town will vote to amend its By-Laws by inserting in Article II, a new Section 9A as follows:—

"ARTICLE II"

"Section 9A. Unless a Town Meeting, by its vote, shall otherwise direct, the Moderator shall request a show of hands on every question put before the meeting by him, and shall declare the vote as it appears to him by such show of hands. If a decision on any such vote shall be questioned before the meeting proceeds to take up any new or other business, the Moderator shall put the question again and shall request a standing vote thereon. He shall appoint tellers to make the count and report the same to him for his declaration,"

or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Town Clerk).

A recommendation is not required.

And to notify the Inhabitants of the First Precinct of the said Town of Southborough, qualified to vote in elections, to meet in the Town House in said Southborough, and the Inhabitants of the Second Precinct of the said Town to meet in the South Union School, on

MONDAY, MARCH 16, 1953,

then and there at those places to bring in their votes to the Election Officers at the respective precincts for Moderator for a term of one year, for Treasurer for a term of one year, for Collector for a term of three years, for one member of the Board of Selectmen for a term of three years, for one member of the Board of Assessors for a term of three years, for one member of the Board of Public Welfare for a term of three years, for one member of the Board of Public Welfare for a term of two years, for one member of the School Committee for a term of three years, for one member of the Board of Cemetery Commissioners for a term of three years, for one member of the Board of Health for a term of three years, for one member of the Board of Water Commissioners for a term of three years, for one member of the Board of Water Commissioners for a term of one year, for two members of the Board of Library Trustees for a term of three years, for one member

of the Board of Library Trustees for a term of one year, for one member of the Planning Board for a term of five years, for one member of the Planning Board for a term of three years.

The Polls in each precinct will be open at eight o'clock in the morning and will be closed at eight o'clock in the evening of said day.

And you are to give notice hereof by posting true and attested copies of the Warrant at the Town Hall, Fayville Hall, all the railroad stations in the Town, the Post Offices in Southborough, Fayville, Cordaville, and Southville, and at the South Union School, seven days, at least, before the time appointed for such meeting.

Given under our hand this Third day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred fifty-three and in the one hundred seventy-seventh year of the Independence of the United States.

A true copy.
Attest:
Constable.

JOHN HILL,
ARTHUR PERHAM,
ARTHUR HOSMER,
Board of Selectmen.

REPORT OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Advisory Committee has considered all matters pertaining to the various departmental budgets and wishes to note that these departments have operated within the approved budget amounts as voted on March 10, 1952.

From a Reserve Fund of \$3,000.00 a total of \$2,333.22 has been transferred for unforeseen expenditures. The balance of \$666.78 has been returned to the Excess and Deficiency Account.

Transfers made as follows:

Town Treasurer (Typewriter)	\$65.00
Town Reports	72.32
Gasoline (Highway Department)	205.19
John and Mitchell St. Drainage	400.00
George A. Mooney Field	93.57
Highway Snow Removal	723.00
Board of Health	774.14
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	\$2,333.22

The Advisory Committee wishes to thank the Town Officials, Board Committees and Department Heads for their conscientious and excellent cooperation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK E. CLAFLIN.

TOWN OFFICERS — 1952

MODERATOR

Earl G. Stringer Term expires March, 1953

TREASURER

Edward L. Kehew Term expires March, 1953

TOWN CLERK

John J. Rabeni Term expires March, 1954

TOWN COLLECTOR

Marjorie F. McDonald Term expires March, 1953

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

John Hill Term expires March, 1953

Arthur Perham Term expires March, 1954

Arthur Hosmer Term expires March, 1955

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

William N. Davis Term expires March, 1953

Ralph H. Clark Term expires March, 1954

Herbert E. Banfill Term expires March, 1955

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

Ruth W. Harrington Term expires March, 1953

Annette H. Deer Term expires March, 1954

Edward W. Borst (To fill Vacancy) Term expires March, 1955

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Katherine O. Allen Term expires March, 1953

David W. Aldrich Term expires March, 1954

Ann L. Corcoran Term expires March, 1955

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Charles E. Corbett Term expires March, 1953

Edward C. Ramsdell Term expires March, 1954

John J. O'Reilly Term expires March, 1955

BOARD OF HEALTH

Theodore H. Ingalls, M. D. Term expires March, 1953

Timothy P. Stone, M. D. Term expires March, 1954

Sophia Coleman, R. N. Term expires March, 1955

WATER COMMISSIONERS

Howard P. Norcross	Term expires	March, 1953
Walter J. Norton (To fill Vacancy)	Term expires	March, 1954
Clarence E. Baker	Term expires	March, 1955

TRUSTEES OF LIBRARY

Anne S. Bradley	Term expires	March, 1953
Emmy Lou Priest	Term expires	March, 1953
Hugh J. McDonald	Term expires	March, 1954
William Smith	Term expires	March, 1954
Hazel P. Burke	Term expires	March, 1955
Harrison L. Reinke	Term expires	March, 1955

ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Charles S. Barton	Term expires	March, 1953
Edward J. Phair	Term expires	March, 1953
Frederick E. Clafin	Term expires	March, 1954
Raymond R. Breslin	Term expires	March, 1954
J. Franklin Millea	Term expires	March, 1955
Charles F. McNeil	Term expires	March, 1955

PLANNING BOARD

Cushman P. Bean	Term expires	March, 1953
James J. Trioli	Term expires	March, 1954
Charles E. Thomas	Term expires	March, 1955
Everett I. Flanders	Term expires	March, 1956
Homér L. Bates	Term expires	March, 1957

TREE WARDEN

William H. Onthank	Term expires	March, 1954
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Appointments by Selectmen

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Mildred E. Stivers	Term expires	March, 1953
Sereño W. Johnson	Term expires	March, 1954
John H. Maley	Term expires	March, 1955

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Fred L. Baker	Term expires	March, 1955
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The following appointments expire March, 1953

CLERK TO BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Mary J. Firmin /

CHIEF OF FIRE DEPARTMENT

John W. Boland

FOREST WARDEN

John W. Boland

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

Gordon C. Johnson

TOWN COUNSEL

Alfred W. Howes

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Candido A. Torcoletti

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

William H. Onthank

MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

William H. Onthank

INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

Sereno W. Johnson

DOG OFFICER

Peter V. Johnson

VETERANS' AGENT AND BURIAL AGENT

Edward C. Brock

ELECTION OFFICERS

PRECINCT ONE

William H. Onthank
Ellen A. Boland
Pearl H. Ruggles
Mary E. McCann
Nora F. Roche
Jessie W. Collins
Grace Newton
Elizabeth B. Maley

PRECINCT TWO

Joseph F. Cummings, Sr.
Hazel R. Holmes
Rita A. Quinn
Alice L. Twombly
Edith E. Boutillier
Mary L. McNeil
Jesse F. Cole
Charles F. McNeil

Charlotte M. Russell
Margaret R. Connors
Angeline B. Mattioli
Ann H. Falconi
Josephine E. Colleary
Sina A. Torcoletti
Marjorie N. Spurr
William G. Salmon

Albert E. Beaton
Fred J. Sanchioni
Ann B. McClard

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Department of Corporations and Taxation

Division of Accounts

State House, Boston 33

April 21, 1952

To the Board of Selectmen
Mr. John Hill, Chairman
Southborough, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my report of an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Southborough for the period from August 21, 1950 to November 13, 1951, made in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44, General Laws. This is in the form of a report made to me by Mr. Herman B. Dine, Assistant Director of Accounts.

Very truly yours,

FRANCIS X. LANG,
Director of Accounts.

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Mr. Francis X. Lang
Director of Accounts
Department of Corporations and Taxation
State House, Boston

Sir:

In accordance with your instructions, I have made an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Southborough for the period from August 21, 1950, the date of the previous audit, to November 13, 1951, and submit the following report thereon:

The financial transactions as recorded on the books of the several departments receiving or disbursing money for the town or committing bills for collection were examined and checked.

The books and accounts of the town accountant were examined and checked in detail. The ledgers were analyzed, the appropriation accounts being checked to the town clerk's records of appropriations voted by the town meetings, and a balance sheet, which is appended to this report, was prepared

showing the financial condition of the town on November 13, 1951.

The books and accounts of the town treasurer were examined and checked in detail. The recorded receipts were analyzed and compared with the collector's records of payments to the treasurer, with the records in the several departments in which charges originated or in which money was collected for the town, and with other sources from which money was paid into the town treasury. The recorded disbursements were compared with the warrants authorizing the treasurer to disburse town funds and with the accountant's books.

The cash book footings were verified, and the cash balance on November 13, 1951 was proved by reconciliation of the bank balances with statements furnished by the banks of deposit, by examination of a savings bank book and of a United States Savings Bond, and by actual count of the cash in the office.

The payments on account of maturing debt and interest were checked with the amounts falling due and with the cancelled securities on file.

The securities, including savings bank books, representing the investments of the trust and investment funds in the custody of the treasurer, were examined and listed, the income being proved and the withdrawals being verified.

The tax title deeds on hand were examined and listed, the amounts transferred from the tax levies to the tax title account being checked, and the tax titles as listed being verified by comparison with the records in the Registry of Deeds.

The books and accounts of the tax collector were examined and checked in detail. The commitments of taxes and excise were compared with the warrants issued by the board of assessors, the recorded abatements were checked with the assessors' records of abatements granted, the recorded collections were checked with the payments to the treasurer as recorded on the treasurer's and the accountant's books, and the outstanding accounts were listed and proved with the controlling accounts.

Verification of the outstanding accounts was made by sending notices to a number of persons whose names appeared on the books as owing money to the town, and from the replies received it appears that the accounts, as listed, are correct.

The records of licenses and permits issued by the selectmen, the town clerk, and the health department were examined and checked, and the payments to the State and the town treasurer were verified.

The surety bonds of the officials required by law to furnish them were examined and found to be in proper form.

In addition to the departments mentioned, the books and accounts of the sealer of weights and measures, as well as of the police, highway, public welfare, veterans' services, school, library, water, and cemetery departments, were examined and checked, the payments to the treasurer being verified.

Appended to this report, in addition to the balance sheet, are tables showing a reconciliation of the treasurer's and the collector's cash, summaries of the tax, excise, and departmental accounts, as well as tables showing the condition and transactions of the trust and investment funds.

For the cooperation extended by the several town officials during the progress of the audit, I wish, on behalf of my assistants and for myself, to express appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

HERMAN B. DINE,
Assistant Director of Accounts.

A true copy.
Attest:

JOHN J. RABENI,
Town Clerk.

**REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1952**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
Southboro, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I respectfully submit herewith the annual report of financial operations of the town as of December 31, 1952.

Attached herewith are following statements and schedules:

- Balance Sheet
- Debt Statement
- Schedule of Receipts
- Expenditures and Balances
- Trust Funds
- Transfers
- Salary and Wage Schedule
- Schedule of Insurance

As a result of conservative expenditure of available funds by the various departments during the year, \$21,113.53 representing unexpended balances of appropriations was transferred to the Excess and Deficiency Account on December 31, 1952.

During the year approximately 6,430 bills submitted to the town for payment totaling \$386,695.68 were checked, classified and posted to the 199 accounts in the General Ledger. In addition, receipts totaling \$416,966.44 were classified and posted.

FRED L. BAKER,
Town Accountant.

BALANCE SHEET, DECEMBER 31, 1952

ASSET ACCOUNTS

Cash Balance	\$186,503.40
Accounts Receivable:	
Taxes:	
1948 Poll	\$4.00
1950 Poll	8.00
1950 Real Estate	2.82
1951 Poll	4.00
1951 Personal	29.76
1951 Real Estate	639.50
1952 Poll	40.58
1952 Personal	1,227.61
1952 Real Estate	14,740.84
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	\$16,697.11
Motor Vehicle Excise:	
1948	\$2.22
1949	12.13
1950	26.84
1951	182.52
1952	2,423.27
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	\$2,646.98
Tax Titles	\$208.17
Departmental:	
Welfare	\$351.17
Aid to Dependent Children	161.70
Disability Assistance	85.28
Town Hall Rental	34.35
Fayville Hall Rental	15.18
Licenses	5.00

LIABILITY ACCOUNTS

Accounts Payable:	
J. M. Clemishaw Co.	\$4,100.00
(Real Estate Reappraisal)	
Payroll Deductions:	
Blue Cross	\$62.25
Mass. Teachers Retirement	325.84
Worcester County Retirement	266.01
Withheld Taxes (Federal)	1,633.81
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	\$2,287.91
Dog License Collections for County	4.60
Perpetual Care Deposits for Investment	200.00
Overestimated Appropriations:	
County Tax	919.38
Trust Fund Income:	
Cemetery Fund	\$710.22
Newell Fund	422.60
Brigham Fund	41.21
Wilson Charity Fund	375.00
Bacon Fund	1,490.01
Winchester Fund	1,719.03
Fay Library Fund	83.71
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	\$4,841.78
Highway Machinery Fund	15,840.55
Town Sheds Fire Loss Remittance	1,600.44
School Lunch Program	479.93
High School Athletic Account	72.64
Newell Fund — Proceeds,	
Sale of Telephone Rights	72.88

Cemetery	147.00	
School	375.29	
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		\$1,174.97
Water:		
Rates	\$3,305.42	
Services	375.48	
Liens	122.54	
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		\$3,803.44
Aid to Highways:		
State:		
Chapter No. 81	\$6,845.00	
Chapter No. 90 Construction	5,000.00	
Chapter No. 90 Maintenance	800.00	
County:		
Chapter No. 90 Construction	2,500.00	
Chapter No. 90 Maintenance	800.00	
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		\$15,945.00
Underestimated Appropriations:		
Assessment, State Parks and		
Reservations	\$42.27	
State Audit	111.35	
Worcester County T.B. Hospital	2,511.47	
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		\$2,665.09
Dog Officer—Care and Destruction		
of Dogs (to be reimbursed		
by County)		\$197.00
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		\$229,841.16

Old Age Assistance Reimbursement	601.90	
Federal Grants — Balances:		
Aid to Dependent Children	\$835.60	
Aid to Dependent Children, Adm.	145.99	
Old Age Assistance	5,538.30	
Old Age Assistance, Adm.	249.56	
Disability Assistance	173.12	
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		\$6,942.57
Appropriation Balances		
(Warrant Articles)		\$28,061.17
Revenue Reserved Until Collected:		
Motor Vehicle	\$2,646.98	
Tax Titles	208.17	
Departmental	1,174.97	
Water Department	3,803.44	
State & County Aid to Highways	15,945.00	
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		\$23,778.56
Reserves and Surplus:		
Overlay Reserves for Abatements:		
1948	\$4.00	
1950	10.82	
1951	1,156.48	
1952	1,141.95	
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		\$2,313.25
Cemetery Reserve	1,248.84	
Overlay Surplus	9,315.50	
Water Surplus	13,315.50	
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		\$26,193.09
Excess and Deficiency		113,843.76
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		\$229,841.16

BALANCE SHEET — Continued

TRUST FUNDS

Trust Fund Cash and Securities

\$118,863.52

J. Lowell Bacon Fund

\$10,000.00

Fay Library Fund

1,660.68

Wilson Charity Fund

1,019.52

Cemetery Trust Fund

37,750.00

Lucretia Brigham Fund

1,000.00

Frank G. Newell Fund

33,725.99

P. W. Rehabilitation Fund

26,478.07

Henry K. Winchester Fund

6,229.26

Clarissa Clapp Charity Fund

1,000.00

\$118,863.52

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DEBT STATEMENT

	Outstanding 1-1-52	Paid 1952	Outstanding 1-1-53	Due in 1953	Rate	Interest Due 1953	Interest Payable	Principal Due
Town Water Loan (1930)	\$80,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$70,000.00	\$10,000.00	4 %	\$1,400.00	1-1-53	--
						1,400.00	7-1-53	7-1-53
Fayville Water Loan (1930)	10,000.00	2,000.00	8,000.00	2,000.00	4 3/4 %	190.00	4-1-53	--
						190.00	10-1-53	10-1-53

SCHEDULE OF RECEIPTS

GENERAL REVENUE

Taxes — Levy of 1952

Poll	\$1,578.00
Personal	29,797.33
Real Estate	144,756.00
Motor Excise	17,414.19

\$193,545.52

Taxes — Levy of 1951

Poll	\$6.00
Personal	963.75
Real Estate	12,684.83
Motor Excise	1,902.20

\$15,556.78

Taxes — Levy of 1950

Real Estate	\$1,164.65
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Taxes — Levy of 1949

Personal	\$2.35
Real Estate	5.97
Motor Excise	10.33

\$18.65

Commonwealth of Massachusetts:

Meal Tax — Old Age Assistance	\$1,133.72
Income Tax	9,428.55
Corporation Tax	10,435.97
M.D.C. in Lieu of Taxes	6,278.91
Business Tax	6,200.17

\$33,477.32

Tax Title Redemptions

315.80

Licenses and Permits:

Liquor and Entertainment	\$4,873.38
Slaughter	2.00
Pedlers	16.00
Junk	25.00
Auto Dealers	85.00
Gun	18.00

\$5,019.38

Court Fines

197.00

Grants:

State

High School Tuition and Transportation	\$13,076.82
School Construction	1,000.00
School Superintendence	1,493.33

School Aid Chapter No. 70	19,323.47	
Health	440.00	
		<u>\$35,333.62</u>
Federal Government:		
Old Age Assistance	\$14,095.26	
Aid to Dependent Children	1,085.64	
Disability Assistance	243.12	
		<u>\$15,424.02</u>
County:		
Dog License		615.18
Gift:		
St. Mark's School		\$2,700.00
All Other:		
Insurance Co. Remittance Covering		
Fire Loss	\$49.06	
Miscellaneous	63.34	
		<u>\$112.40</u>
Total General Revenue		<u>\$303,480.32</u>

COMMERCIAL REVENUE

Rentals:		
Town Hall	\$20.00	
Fayville Hall	356.98	
		<u>\$376.98</u>
Protection of Persons and Property:		
Police — Payroll Protection	\$101.00	
Sealer of Weights and Measures	87.65	
Tree Warden — Private Work	157.70	
		<u>\$346.35</u>
Highways — From State and County:		
1951 Contracts:		
Chapter No. 90 Maintenance	\$1,592.96	
Chapter No. 90 Construction	7,499.48	
Chapter No. 81	813.73	
1952 Contracts:		
Chapter No. 81	\$6,080.00	
Equipment Rentals	5,836.74	
Sale of Scrap	99.68	
		<u>\$21,922.59</u>
Welfare Reimbursements:		
State:		
Disability Assistance	\$11.28	
Welfare	15.00	

Aid to Dependent Children	727.77	
Old Age Assistance	13,478.02	
Cities and Towns:		
Welfare	783.31	
Old Age Assistance	303.49	
		\$15,318.87
Veterans Services:		
Commonwealth of Massachusetts		\$929.11
Schools:		
Sale of Supplies	\$40.00	
Tuition — Other Towns	155.42	
P. T. A. Lunch Receipts	7,886.47	
Athletic Account Receipts	517.06	
		\$8,598.95
Library Fines		\$14.00
Water Department:		
Metered Rates	\$27,420.78	
Service Charges	4,981.05	
Miscellaneous	10.00	
Liens	26.83	
		\$32,438.66
Cemetery:		
Sale of Lots	\$580.00	
Care of Lots	247.00	
Foundations	195.00	
Burials	1,155.00	
Perpetual Care Deposits	1,727.50	
		\$3,904.50
Health		
Other Cities and Towns		\$340.00
Total Commercial Revenue		\$84,190.01

NON-REVENUE RECEIPTS

Income From Trust Fund Investments:	
Frank G. Newell Fund	\$2,352.79
Fisher Fund	3.75
Wilson Charity Fund	60.00
Henry K. Winchester Fund	190.00
P. W. Rehabilitation Fund	253.12
Brigham Fund	75.64
John L. Bacon Fund	412.50
Fay Library Fund	42.33
Cemetery Trust Fund	1,531.11
	\$4,921.24

Agency Accounts:

Payroll Deductions:

Massachusetts Teachers Retirement	\$3,762.44
Worcester County Retirement	1,558.04
Withholding Tax (Federal)	14,846.40
Blue Cross	1,070.63

\$21,237.51

Dog License Collections for County	798.00
Cemetery Trust Fund Securities Sale of Rights	295.05
Refunds	1,986.86

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Total Non-Revenue Receipts

\$29,238.66

Total Revenue All Sources

\$416,908.99

DEPARTMENTAL ACCOUNTS, 1952 EXPENDITURES AND BALANCES

Account	Total Available	Total Expenditure	Balance Held to Complete Projects	Unexpended Balances to E. and D.	Available for Transfer to E. and D.
Elected Officers Salaries	\$4,150.00	\$4,150.00			
Advisory Board	115.00	115.00			
Selectmen	2,086.00	1,718.37		\$367.63	
Accounting	1,430.00	1,409.17		20.83	
Treasurer	520.00	519.56		.44	
Collector	1,104.00	1,091.20		12.80	
Assessors	770.40	649.19		121.21	
Legal	800.00	689.97		110.03	
Legal (Taking of Water from M. D. C., etc.)	1,000.00	860.50	\$139.50		
Legal (Assessors, Welfare, etc.) ..	3,000.00	75.00	2,925.00		
Town Clerk	360.08	350.54		9.54	
Election and Registration	1,991.90	1,972.23		19.67	
Planning Board	50.00			50.00	
Town Hall Maintenance	2,379.84	1,855.01		524.83	
Town Hall Repairs	49.06	31.27		17.79	
Town Hall Heating System	1,500.00	1,318.93	181.07		
Fireproofing Town Hall Heating Unit	200.00	200.00			
Tax Title Expense	25.00	6.25		18.75	
Police	4,421.00	4,418.75		2.25	
Purchase of Police Cruiser	2,000.00	1,999.45		.55	
Fire Department Maintenance	3,664.00	3,652.50		11.50	
Fire Department Salaries	4,690.00	4,690.00			
Forest Fires and Equipment	1,290.00	1,086.20		203.80	
New Southville Fire House Comm. Moth Department	100.00		100.00		
Dutch Elm Disease Elimination	2,182.00	2,180.86		1.14	
Tree Warden	1,000.00	999.70		.30	
	2,045.00	2,042.46		2.54	

EXPENDITURES AND BALANCES — Continued

Tree Warden — Private Work	200.00	157.70		42.30
Sealer of Weights and Measures	148.00	133.45		14.55
Swimming Pool	500.00	333.23		166.77
Civil Defense	487.35	128.78	358.57	
Board of Health	3,029.14	3,029.14		
Inspector of Animals	125.00	124.83		.17
Highway:				
Street Lights	5,849.00	5,821.58		27.42
Equipment and Maintenance	2,550.00	2,544.19		5.81
Special Maintenance	4,465.00	4,132.92		332.08
Snow Removal	6,598.00	6,597.39		.61
Sidewalks	629.11	355.82		273.29
Chapter No. 81	19,975.00	19,968.55		6.45
Chapter No. 90 Construction	10,000.00	7,527.97	2,472.03	
Chapter No. 90 Maintenance	2,400.00	2,398.51		1.49
Grading, Drainage John St.	4,400.00	4,316.66	83.34	
Public Welfare	2,500.00	1,863.01		636.99
Aid to Dependent Children	3,200.00	972.82		2,227.18
Old Age Assistance	28,000.00	18,035.34		9,964.66
Assistance for Disabled	1,000.00	675.06		324.94
Veterans Services	4,200.00	2,041.15		2,158.85
School	110,159.00	110,107.56		51.44
Vocational Education	4,312.00	3,613.47		698.53
High School Athletic Account	1,149.34	1,076.70	72.64	
School Repairs, Shingle Roof	6,000.00	5,745.25		\$254.75
High School Building Comm.	6,403.41	791.45	5,611.96	
New Elementary School	1,000.00		1,000.00	
Libraries	4,601.90	4,595.34		6.56
Water Department Maintenance ..	19,165.36	18,062.76		1,102.60
Water Department Extensions:				
J. J. Trioli	366.20			366.20
Cross Street	158.77	85.32		73.45
Main Street	41.85			41.85

Maple Street	398.41				398.41
Walnut Drive	3,054.91		3,054.91		
Willow Street	2,734.58	1,553.99	1,180.59		
Breakneck Hill Road	452.48	221.94	230.54		
Parkville Road	4,600.00		4,600.00		
Reserve Fund	3,000.00	2,333.22		666.78	
Fayville Hall Maintenance	979.00	952.85		26.15	
Fayville Hall Repairs	1,845.78	1,804.58	41.20		
Land Damage — Relocation Main Street and Marlborough Road	1,500.00		1,500.00		
Town Reports	972.32	972.32			
Common and Town House Gronuds	370.00	151.14		218.86	
Liability Insurance	5,304.68	4,703.19		601.49	
Memorial Day — A.L. and V.F.W.	500.00	470.69			29.31
Fayville Playground	6,859.62	6,839.00			
P. T. A. Playground	450.00	449.36	20.62		
George A. Mooney Field	493.57	493.57			.64
Town Dump	1,500.00		1,500.00		
Publication of New By-Laws	25.00			25.00	
Repairing Honor Rolls	275.00	251.00			24.00
Gasoline	2,005.19	1,994.10		11.09	
Cemetery Maintenance	7,180.00	7,155.75		24.25	
Old Cemetery	523.82	522.20		1.62	
Interest on Debt	3,675.00	3,675.00			
Debt Retirement	12,000.00	12,000.00			
School Repairs — Toilets, Lockers	2,797.11	973.88			1,823.23
	<u>\$360,033.18</u>	<u>\$310,835.84</u>	<u>\$25,071.97</u>	<u>\$21,113.53</u>	<u>\$3,011.84</u>

Note: Does not include expenditures from interest from Trust Funds or Federal Grants.

TRANSFERS

Transfers from Excess and Deficiency

To —

M. D. C. (1950) Water Charge	\$424.80
Real Estate Reappraisal	5,700.00
Purchase of Police Cruiser	2,000.00
Police Night Patrol	1,300.00
Highway Hourly Wage Increase	765.00
Legal — Assessors, Welfare and School Building Comm.	3,000.00
New Elementary School. To Legalize Vote To Borrow	
\$500,000.00	1,000.00
	\$14,189.80

Transfers From Reserve Fund

To —

Treasurers Account	\$65.00
Town Reports	72.32
John St. Drainage	400.00
Gasoline	205.19
Mooney Field	93.57
Highway Snow Removal	723.00
Health Department	774.14
	\$2,333.22

Transfer From Cemetery Reserve Account

To —

Old Cemetery Account	\$500.00
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Transfer From Road Machinery Fund

To —

Highway Equipment and Maintenance Account	\$2,550.00
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SALARY AND WAGE SCHEDULE — 1952

Moderator	\$25.00
Selectmen	450.00
Treasurer	500.00
Collector	900.00
Town Clerk	500.00
Assessors (3)	975.00
Overseers — Public Welfare (3)	150.00
School Committee (3)	300.00
Cemetery Committee (3)	75.00
Board of Health (3)	150.00
Water Commissioners (3)	100.00
Tree Warden	25.00
Town Accountant	1,200.00
Town Hall Clerk, per hour	1.00
Town Counsel	300.00
Board of Registrars (4)	150.00
Election Officers, per hour	.75
Police Chief	365.00
Patrolmen, per hour	1.00
Officer, Fayville Crossing per hour	1.00
Dog Officer	100.00
Fire Chief	575.00
Fire Captains (2)	250.00
Fire Lieutenants (3)	345.00
Fire Clerks (2)	30.00
Privates (30)	3,000.00
Janitors	490.00
Forest Fire Warden	50.00
Tree Warden, per hour	1.25 - 1.15
Moth Department	1.25 - 1.15
Sealer of Weights and Measures	100.00
Inspector of Animals	100.00
Health Dept. Agent	10.00
Inspector of Slaughtering	25.00
Superintendent of Streets	3,600.00
Highway Department Labor, per hour	1.39 - 1.34 - 1.29
Veterans Agent	300.00
Welfare Agent	1,569.00
Welfare, Clerical	1.00
Janitors:	
Town Hall	1,000.00
Southboro School, per month	216.66
Fayville School	70.00
Southville School	150.00

Fayville Hall	400.00
Southboro Library	660.00
Southville Library	27.00
School Physician	200.00
School Dentist	50.00
School Attendance Officer	25.00
Librarian	1,850.00
Water Department Superintendent	3,600.00
Water Department Registrar, per hour	1.10
Water Department Labor, per hour	1.40
Cemetery Superintendent	3,600.00
Cemetery Labor, per hour	1.25

INSURANCE POLICIES

In the Possession of the Town Accountant

American Insurance Co. — Policy covering sprinkler leakage at Peters High school and Annex.

American Insurance Co. — Policy covering fire loss on town buildings.

The Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection and Insurance Co. — Covering Boilers at:

Central Fire Station

Fayville Hall

Peters High School and Annex

Pumping Station

So. Union School

American Insurance Co. — Policy covering Auto fleet fire, theft and collision.

Travelers Indemnity Co. — Policy covering Water Department sections, fittings, tools and materials.

Travelers Insurance Co. — Policy covering public liability — public buildings.

Travelers Indemnity Co. — Policy covering Workmen's Compensation.

Travelers Insurance Co. — Policy covering robbery — Collector.

Travelers Indemnity Co. — Policy covering public liability — Town fleet of Automotive equipment.

Aetna Casualty and Surety Co. — Policies covering safe burglary and robbery — Town Treasurer.

Aetna Life Insurance Co. — Firemens Group Insurance.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Proceedings of Town Election and Business Meetings

ANNUAL ELECTION — MARCH 17, 1952.

The result of the voting as canvassed and counted by the Election Officers was as follows:

Moderator for one year:

Earl G. Stringer	812
James Daughan	10
Francis R. Pessini	4
Scattering	5
Blanks	168

Treasurer for one year:

Edward F. Brock	382
Edward L. Kehew, Jr.	585
Blanks	32

Selectman for three years:

Arthur L. Hosmer	525
J. Russell Wakelin	420
Francis Pessini	13
Blanks	41

Selectman for two years:

Arthur Perham	515
Francis R. Pessini	356
Scattering	4
Blanks	124

Assessor for three years:

Herbert E. Banfill	830
Scattering	3
Blanks	166

Welfare Board for three years:

James E. O'Leary	776
Scattering	1
Blanks	222

School Committee for three years:

Laurence A. Cooper	420
Ann L. Corcoran	485
Scattering	1
Blanks	93

School Committee for two years:

David W. Aldrich	499
Raymond M. Dumont	415
Blanks	85

Cemetery Commissioner for three years:

John J. O'Reilly	807
Blanks	192

Board of Health for three years:

Sophia M. Coleman	776
Scattering	1
Blanks	222

Water Commissioner for three years:

Clarence E. Baker	787
Scattering	1
Blanks	211

Library Trustee for three years (vote for two)

Hazel B. Burke	766
Harrison L. Reinke	661
Blanks	571

Planning Board for five years:

Homer Bates	21
Francis Pessini	18
L. Wendell Jordan	11
Scattering	50
Blanks	899

JOHN J. RABENI,
Town Clerk.

PROCEEDINGS OF ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

MARCH 10, 1952

At a Town Meeting of the Town of Southborough, duly called and held in the Town Hall on March 10, 1952, at which a quorum was present and acting, there appeared the following articles which were voted upon in legal manner.

Moderator James M. Daughan opened the meeting at 7:08 P. M.

It was voted to dispense with the reading of the Warrant.

Article 1. To hear the reports of the various Town Officers and Committees and take such action thereon as the Town may vote.

The School Housing Report, read by Harold A. Bauld, accepted as one of progress.

A report of the Committee on Water Extensions, read by Clarence E. Baker, accepted as one of progress.

It was voted to accept the reports as printed in the Town Report.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to fix for the calendar year, 1952, the salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town as provided by Section 108 of Chapter 41 of the General Laws, as amended, which officers are as follows:

One Moderator, One Town Clerk, One Treasurer, One Town Collector, Three Selectmen, Three Assessors, Three members of the Board of Public Welfare, Three members of the School Committee, Three Cemetery Commissioners, Three members of the Board of Health, Three Water Commissioners, Six members of the Board of Library Trustees, Five members of the Planning Board and One Tree Warden.

It was voted that the salaries and compensation, for the calendar year 1952, of al elective offiecrs of the Town be fixed as follows:

Moderator	\$25.00	Welfare Committee (3)	150.00
Town Clerk	500.00	School Committee (3)	300.00
Treasurer	500.00	Cemetery Comm. (3)	75.00
Town Collector	900.00	Water Comm. (3)	100.00
Selectmen (3)	450.00	Tree Warden	25.00
Assessors (3)	975.00	Board of Health (3)	150.00

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,150.00 or such other sum of money as may be necessary, to pay the salaries of all elective Town Officers, or do or act thereon.

It was voted that the sum of \$4,150.00 be raised and appropriated to pay the salaries of all elective Town Officers.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the Town's use and make appropriation of the same and to authorize the Board of Water Commissioners to dispose of a Dodge pick-up truck by sale or exchange or otherwise, and to use the proceeds of such sale or exchange as a part of the purchase price of a new pick-up truck, or do or act anything in relation thereto.

It was voted to raise and appropriate the following sums of money:

1.	Advisory Committee	\$115.00
2.	Selectmen	2,086.00
3.	Accounting	1,430.00
4.	Treasurer	455.00
5.	Collector	1,104.00
6.	Town Clerk	360.08
7.	Election & Registration	1,991.90
8.	Assessors	770.40
9.	Legal	800.00
10.	Town Hall	2,289.00
11.	Tax Title	25.00
12.	Police	3,121.00
13.	Fire Maintenance	3,664.00
14.	Fire Salaries	4,690.00
15.	Forest Fires	1,290.00
16.	Hydrant Snow Removal (No money requested)	
17.	Moth	2,182.00
18.	Tree Warden	2,045.00
19.	Sealer of Weights and Measures	148.00
20.	Board of Health	2,255.00
21.	Inspector of Animals	125.00
22.	Street Lighting	5,849.00
23.	Highway Snow Removal	5,875.00
24.	Highway Special Maint.	3,700.00
25.	Highway (Sidewalks)	600.00
26.	General Relief	2,500.00

27.	Old Age Assistance	28,000.00
28.	Aid to Dependent Children	3,200.00
29.	Assistance for the Disabled	1,000.00
30.	Veteran Services	4,200.00
31.	School	110,159.00
32.	Vocational Education	4,312.00
32A.	Revolving Athletic Fund	500.00
33.	Fay Library	3,986.72
34.	Water	17,516.07
35.	Reserve Fund (Transfer from Overlay Surplus Account)	3,000.00
36.	Fayville Hall	979.00
37.	Common & Town House Grounds	370.00
38.	Town Reports	900.00
39.	Insurance	5,304.68
40.	Planning Board	50.00
41.	Gasoline	1,800.00
42.	Hydrant Rental	3,700.00

On a motion, made by Mr. Earl Smiddy, it was voted to dismiss Item 42.

43.	Cemetery	7,180.00
44.	Interest on Debt	3,675.00
45.	Debt Retirement	12,000.00
46.	George A. Mooney Field	400.00
47.	Town Dump (Maintenance and care)	1,500.00

Total of Budget Items by taxation	\$256,502.85
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Total of Warrant Articles by taxation	48,932.75
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Total amount to be raised by taxation	\$305,435.60
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Article 5. To see if the Town will authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1952 and to issue any note or notes therefor payable within one year and to renew any note or

notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws, as amended, and pass any vote or take any action in relation thereto.

Unanimously voted: In the words of the article.

Article 6. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Assessors, to use free cash in the Town Treasury, and if so, what sum, for the purpose of reducing the amount to be raised and assessed as taxes in 1952, or pass any vote relative thereto.

Voted: That no free cash in the Town Treasury be used by the Board of Assessors for the purpose of reducing the amount to be raised and assessed as taxes in 1952.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$584.96 as required by the County Commissioners, to pay a portion of the expense of the Worcester County Retirement System, of which the Town is a member, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen).

Voted: In the words of the article.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$450.00 for playground activities, managed under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Parent-Teachers Association).

Voted: In the words of the article.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, to pay the cost of supervision, maintenance, and to supply water, in connection with the use of the Fay School Swimming Pool by the Inhabitants of the Town, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen).

Voted: In the words of the article.

Article 10. To see what disposition shall be made of the dog money.

Voted: That the revenue of \$615.18 obtained from the licensing of dogs be allocated to the Fay Library.

Article 11. To see if the Town will accept a contribution

from St. Mark's School, if any, and determine what disposition shall be made of the same, if accepted, or do or act anything in relation thereto.

Voted: That the Town accept a contribution from Saint Mark's School, if any, and that the contribution shall be placed in the Town Treasury.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for Private Tree Work, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Tree Warden).

Voted: In the words of the article.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250.00 to defray expenses of the Memorial Day Exercises on May 30, 1952, under the auspices of the Bagley-Fay Post No. 161, American Legion, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Bagley-Fay Post No. 161 American Legion).

Voted: In the words of the article.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250.00 for the Memorial Day, May 30, 1952, observance exercises under the auspices of Choate Post No. 3276, Veterans of Foreign Wars, or do or act thereon. (Proposed by Choate Post No. 3276, Veterans of Foreign Wars).

Voted: In the words of the article.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the expenditure of the sum of \$500.00 from the Cemetery Reserve Fund, to be used for the purchase of loam, the payment of labor, and the maintenance of the Old Burying Ground, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Cemetery Commissioners).

Voted: In the words of the article.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,282.79 to pay the assessment of the Worcester County Commissioners for care and maintenance in connection with the Worcester County Tuberculosis Hospital District, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen).

Voted: In the words of the article.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,050.00 for Chapter 81 Highways, or do or

act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and the Supt. of Streets).

Voted: In the words of the article.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury the sum of \$12,925.00 for Chapter 81 Highways, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and Supt. of Streets).

Voted: That the sum of \$12,925.00 be transferred from Excess and Deficiency Account for Chapter 81 Highways to meet the State's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursement from the State to be restored, upon its receipt to the Town Treasury.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500.00 for Chapter 90 Construction, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and Supt. of Streets).

Voted: In the words of the article.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury, the sum of \$7,500.00 for Chapter 90 Construction, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and Supt. of Streets).

Voted: That the sum of \$7,500.00 be transferred from Excess and Deficiency Account for Chapter 90 Construction to meet the State and County's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State and County to be restored, upon their receipt to the Town Treasury.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$800.00 for Chapter 90 Maintenance, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and Supt. of Streets).

Voted: In the words of the article.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury the sum of \$1,600.00 for Chapter 90 Maintenance, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and the Superintendent of Streets).

Voted: That the sum of \$1,600.00 be transferred from Excess and Deficiency Account for Chapter 90 Maintenance to meet the State and County's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State and County to be restored, upon their receipt, to the Town Treasury

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, the sum of \$2,450.00 for Highway Equipment and Maintenance, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and Supt. of Streets).

Voted: That the sum of \$2,550.00 be transferred from the Road Machinery Fund to the Highway Equipment and Maintenance Account.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from any of its available funds the sum of \$1,000.00 to be used or made available for use for extra legal services performed, and to be performed in the preparation and passage of three legislative bills; one to authorize the establishment of a Department of Public Works in Southborough; one to authorize the taking of water from the Sudbury Reservoir without charge; and one to authorize the taking of water from the high pressure tunnel without charge; or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Water Commissioners, The Board of Selectmen and the Town Counsel).

Voted: That the sum of \$1,000.00 be raised and appropriated and applied for purpose named in this article.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury the sum of \$8,000.00 for the purchase of a four-wheel-drive motor truck, fully equipped, for the Highway Department, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen).

Voted: That a Committee be appointed to make a thorough investigation, relative to the cost and advisability of purchasing a new truck for the Highway Department, and that said Committee report at the next Special Town Meeting.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury the sum of \$1,360.00 for a hopper-type gasoline-powered motor-truck body to be used for sanding and to be in-

stalled on the Autocar truck, now owned by the Town, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen).

Voted: That the Committee appointed, under Article 25, make a thorough investigation, relative to cost and advisability of purchasing a hopper-type gasoline-powered motor truck body to be used for sanding and to be installed on the Autocar truck, now owned by the Town.

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,400.00 for the purchase of a new police cruiser car and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell, turn in or otherwise dispose of the 1947 Ford sedan now used as a police cruiser, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen).

Voted: That the sum of \$2,000.00 be raised and appropriated for the purchase of a new police cruiser car, equipped with a 2-way radio and that the Board of Selectmen sell, turn in or otherwise dispose of the 1947 Ford sedan now used as a police cruiser.

Votes in favor 105

Against 47

Article 28. To see if the Town will authorize the Moderator to appoint a committee of three (3) to investigate the need for a new fire house in Southville, and to raise and appropriate a sum of money not to exceed \$500.00, for the use of said committee to bring back a report and plans at a subsequent meeting or do or act thereon.

Voted: That a committee of three members be appointed by the Moderator to investigate the need for a new fire house in Southville and that the sum of \$100.00 be raised and appropriated for the use of said committee to bring back a report and plans at the annual Town Meeting in March, 1953.

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of \$1,000.00 to be used by the Moth Department to suppress or eliminate the Dutch Elm Disease, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen).

Voted: That the sum of \$1,000.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of paying such costs and expenses as may be incurred by or assessed against the Town in the suppression or elimination of the Dutch Elm Disease.

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to accept from James J. Trioli and Edward J. Phair a certain parcel of land lying southerly of Central Street in Fayville and containing approximately 24,000 square feet and running approximately six hundred (600) feet in an easterly direction from the easterly end of Mitchell Street and more particularly described in a deed from said Trioli and Phair to the Town of Southborough now on file in the office of the Town Clerk, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by James J. Trioli and Edward J. Phair).

Voted: In the words of the article.

Article 31. To see if the Town will vote to accept a new street in Fayville, as laid out by the Selectmen, and in accordance with a plan and layout now on file in the Town Clerk's office, which proposed new street runs approximately six hundred (600) feet in an easterly direction from the easterly end of Mitchell Street, and to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Dollars (\$4,000.00) for the purpose of establishing suitable and proper grade thereof, and for the further purpose of installing adequate drainage in said street and in the area and streets in the vicinity thereof, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by Edward J. Phair and others).

Article 31. (1) Voted: That the Town accept a new street in Fayville as laid out by the Selectmen, and in accordance with a plan and layout now on file in the Town Clerk's office, which proposed street runs approximately six hundred (600) feet in an easterly direction from the easterly end of Mitchell Street.

Article 32. (2) Voted: That the sum of \$4,000.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of establishing suitable and proper drainage and grades in Mitchell Street and the streets and areas in the vicinity thereof.

Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to accept from Edward C. Ramsdell a certain parcel of land lying westerly of the westerly end of Prentiss Street in Southville, and containing approximately Eighty-four Hundred (8400) square feet and running approximately Three Hundred (300) feet in a westerly direction from the westerly end of Prentiss Street, said parcel being more particularly described in a deed from Edward C. Ramsdell to the Town of Southborough, which deed is now on file in the office of the Town Clerk, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by Edward C. Ramsdell and others).

Voted: In the words of the article.

Article 33. To see if the Town will vote to accept a new street running approximately Three Hundred (300) feet westerly from the westerly end of Prentiss Street, in Southville, as laid out by the Selectmen, and in accordance with the plan and layout which is now on file in the Town Clerk's office, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by Edward C. Ramsdell and others).

Voted: In the words of the article.

Article 34. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,635.00 for the purpose of shingling, staining, and otherwise repairing the outer walls of the Fayville Town Hall, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen).

Voted: That the sum of \$1,200.00 be raised and appropriated for purpose named in this article. Work to be under supervision of the Selectmen.

Article 35. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Hundred (\$1,500.00) Dollars for the new heating system already installed in the Town Hall, or do or act anything in relation thereto.

Voted: That the sum of \$1,500.00 be transferred from the Overlay Surplus Account and the same be appropriated to pay the liability incurred under the authority of Chapter 44, Section 31 of the General Laws, to pay for the new heating system already installed in the Town Hall.

Article 36. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred (\$200.00) Dollars to enclose with fireproof materials, the new heating unit recently installed in the Town Hall, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen).

Voted: In the words of the article.

Article 37. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, the sum of \$2,015.00 for the purpose of completion of seeding and fencing the Fayville Playground, said sum to be in addition to the appropriation made for the purpose under Article 4 of the special Town Meeting held on June 11, 1951, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Recreation Committee).

Voted: That the sum of \$2,015.00 be raised and appropriated

for the purpose of completion of seeding and fencing the Fayville Playground, said sum to be in addition to the appropriation made for the purpose under Article 17 of the Special Town Meeting held on October 23rd, 1950, and as amended under Article 4 of the Special Town Meeting held on June 11, 1951.

Article 38. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money not to exceed \$6,000.00, to be used for the purpose of making a survey of the Town to determine the availability of an adequate supply of water for the water system and for such purpose to authorize the Board of Water Commissioners to take such steps and to make such tests as may be necessary for the purpose, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Water Comm.).

Voted: To dismiss this article.

Article 39. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from any of its available funds, or borrow under the authority of any existing law, the sum of \$35,000.00 to extend the water main northerly from the northerly end of the water main in Parkerville Road, said main to extend northerly along Parkerville Road across Turnpike Road northerly on Parkerville Road to Clifford Street and northwesterly on Clifford Street to be connected to the eight-inch water main now in Clifford Street for the purpose of forming a loop, so called, or to construct any part of such loop, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Water Commissioners).

Motion under this article was lost. Votes in favor 10
Against 77.

Article 40. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,300.00 for the purpose of renewing the shingles or siding on the outer wall of the Fayville School and construct a new tar and gravel roof and complete the repainting of the South Union School and to make certain other repairs on school buildings, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by School Committee).

Voted: That the sum of \$6,000.00 be raised and appropriated for purposes of constructing a new Tar and Gravel roof and to complete the repainting of the South Union School.

Article 41. To see if the Town will vote to appoint a committee to investigate the availability of a suitable dump site, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen).

Voted: That the Moderator shall appoint the Board of Selectmen to said committee, to arrange for a suitable dump site.

Article 42. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,500.00 for the purpose of building new sheds and store houses at the rear of the present fire station, on land recently acquired from the Worcester Suburban Electric Company, said buildings to be used for housing Town equipment and material, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen).

Voted: That a Committee of Three (3) be appointed, by the Moderator, to conduct a study and to report the advisability of building new sheds and storehouses at the rear of the present Fire Station, on land recently acquired from the Worcester County Electric Company, said buildings to be used for housing Highway Dept., Fire Dept., and Water Dept. equipment and material. The Committee shall report at the annual Town Meeting in March of 1953.

Article 43. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25.00 or such other money as may be necessary to pay the cost of publication of any new By-Laws, or any amendments to any old By-Laws which may be adopted by the Town, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Town Clerk).

Voted: That the sum of \$25.00 be raised and appropriated.

Article 44. To see if the Town will vote to transfer to Excess and Deficiency Account the unexpended balances of certain special appropriations as follows:

Chain Saw — Tree Warden	\$15.00
Sidewalk Construction	29.00
Power Mower	4.00
Survey — Fayville Playground	290.00
Southville — Drainage	76.38
Publication of new By-Laws	11.50
Survey — Town Building heating systems	300.00
Sidewalk Construction (Parkerville Road)	500.00
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	\$1,225.88

Voted: In the words of the article.

Article 45. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$424.80 to pay the 1950 charge of the Metro-

politan District Commission for water taken from the Sudbury Reservoir over and above the amount authorized to be taken daily by the Town free of charge, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Water Commissioners).

Voted: That the sum of \$424.80 be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Account and applied for the purpose named in this article.

Article 46. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,600.00 for the purpose of extending the water main in Parkerville Road in a northerly direction from the present water main at the junction of Parkerville Road and Clifford Street, for a distance of 1,000 feet, said extension to be paid for at the annual rate of 5% of the cost of construction for twenty (20) years, and in such other manner, and on such other terms and agreements as the Town may vote, or as the Board of Water Commissioners may impose, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by Walter A. Hutt).

Voted: That the sum of forty-six hundred dollars (\$4,600.00) be raised and appropriated for the purpose of extending the water main in Parkerville Road in a northerly direction from the present water main at the junction of Parkerville Road and Clifford Street for a distance of one thousand (1,000) feet and that the Board of Water Commissioners be instructed to extend such water main; provided, that the owners of the land abutting that part of Parkerville Road in which said water main extension shall be laid, and presently to be connected, except such lands as may be owned, held or used for public, charitable or religious purposes, shall agree in writing to pay in each year for twenty (20) years as minimum rates for water, whether or not actually used, the sum of money equal to 5% of the total original cost of the construction of said water main extension, except as herein otherwise provided; and as other premises abutting on that part of Parkerville Road shall be connected with said water main extension, the Water Commissioners shall, thereupon, and in each instance, re-apportion said original cost for the remainder of said twenty (20) year period among owners of all lands so connected.

Article 47. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from any of its available funds a sum of money for the purpose of repairing, repainting and relettering the existing Honor Rolls, or do or act thereon.

Voted: That the sum of \$275.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of repairing, repainting and relettering the existing Honor Rolls.

Article 48. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to pay land damages to the owners of property abutting on both sides of Newton Street, for land to be taken from, and damages to be sustained by said abutters in the alteration and relocation of Newton Street, as proposed by the County Commissioners and Engineers, and for further purpose of paying land damages to the owners of property abutting the four corners of the intersection of Cordaville and Marlboro Roads and Main Street, for land to be taken from, and damages sustained by said abutters in the alteration and relocation of said intersection, as proposed by the County Commissioners and Engineers, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and the Superintendent of Streets).

Voted: That the sum of \$1,500.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of paying land damages to the owners of land to be used in the alteration and relocation of the intersection of Main Street and Cordaville and Marlborough Roads and that the Selectmen be, and hereby are, authorized to negotiate for the acquisition of said land and to enter into such contracts and agreements, and to do such other things as may be necessary for said purpose.

The meeting was dissolved at 11:20 P. M.

A True Record:

Attest:

JOHN J. RABENI,
Town Clerk.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING — APRIL 7, 1952

Office of the Town Clerk
Southborough, Massachusetts

22 April 1952

Gentlemen:

Board of Assessors
Town of Southborough
Southborough, Massachusetts

At a Special Town Meeting of the Town of Southborough, duly called and held in the Town Hall on April 7, 1952, at which a quorum was present and acting, there appeared the following articles which were voted upon in legal manner.

Before officially calling the meeting to order the School Housing Committee was granted permission to review and explain, in detail, three plans for the proposed school building.

Harold A. Bauld and Paul J. Redmond, members of the School Housing Committee, answered many questions relative to the school building and school building site.

Mr. Charles S. Barton stated that the Advisory Committee was in accord with the recommendations of the School Housing Committee.

Approximately thirty-three minutes were consumed in the discussion.

Moderator Earl G. Stringer opened the meeting at 8:08 P. M. and declared that there was a quorum present.

Voted: To consider Article 3 at this time.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500,000.00 for the purpose of constructing and originally equipping and furnishing an elementary school building, and other necessary or desirable facilities in connection therewith, and to determine how said appropriation shall be raised, whether by transfer from available funds in the treasury, including the Post War Rehabilitation Fund and/or by borrowing or otherwise or do or act anything in relation thereto.

Voted: That the sum of \$500,000.00 be raised and appro-

riated for the purpose of constructing and originally equipping and furnishing an elementary school building and that to meet said appropriation the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow the sum of \$500,000.00 and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor, payable in not more than twenty years. \$120,000.00 of the amount authorized to be borrowed shall be under the authority of and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws, and \$380,000.00 of the said amount shall be under the authority of and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 645 of the Acts of 1948, as amended, and the present School Housing Committee is hereby authorized to enter into contracts and to do all things that are necessary and convenient for constructing, equipping and furnishing such school building and that in the event that a vacancy should occur in said Committee the remaining members of said Committee be and hereby are authorized to fill said vacancy.

The result, determined by standing vote, was as follows:

Votes in favor	175	Against	57
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Voted: To consider Article 1 at this time.

Article 1. To see if the Town will vote, for the purpose of erecting an elementary school building and other necessary or desirable facilities in connection therewith, to acquire by purchase, or by gift or by taking by right of eminent domain under Chapter 79 of the General Laws, or otherwise, the following described parcels of land:

Parcel No. 1. Land of Charles H. and Agnes E. Newton containing 54/100 acres more or less and situated on the southerly side of Main Street in the Town of Southborough and bounded on the north by other land of Charles H. and Agnes E. Newton and land of Clarence W. and Arlene C. Wentworth, and bounded on the east by land of Borden A. and Violet R. Schrader and land of William H. and Blanche C. Slocomb, and bounded on the south by land of Mary M. Bates, and bounded on the west by land of Mary M. Bates.

Parcel No. 2. Land of Mary M. Bates containing 3-81/100 acres more or less and situated on the southerly side of Main Street in the Town of Southborough and bounded on the north by Main Street and the land of Charles H. and Agnes E. Newton, and bounded on the east by land of William H. and Blanche C. Slocomb, land of James, Mary and Catherine Gralton, land of Blanche E. Baker and land of Henry J. and Rosalie C. Baker,

and bounded on the south by land of St. Mark's School Trustees, and bounded on the west by land of Choate Memorial Park and land of Eva B. Davis.

Parcel No. 3. Land of Eva B. Davis containing 2-7/100 acres more or less and situated on the southerly side of Main Street in the Town of Southborough and bounded on the north by other land of Eva B. Davis, and land of Elizabeth F. Staples, and land of the Pilgrim Congregational Church, and bounded on the east by land of Mary M. Bates, and bounded on the south by land of Choate Memorial Park, and bounded on the west by land of Choate Memorial Park.

Parcel No. 4. Land of Choate Memorial Park containing 3-97/100 acres more or less and situated on the easterly side of Cordaville Road in the Town of Southborough and bounded on the north by land of Southborough Village Society, bounded on the east by land of Eva B. Davis, land of Mary M. Bates and land of St. Mark's School Trustees, and bounded on the west by Cordaville Road, and to appropriate money therefor and to determine how said appropriation shall be raised, whether by transfer from available funds in the treasury, including the Post War Rehabilitation Fund, and/or by borrowing or otherwise, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the School Housing Committee).

Voted: That the Selectmen be authorized and directed, for the purpose of erecting an elementary school building and other necessary or desirable facilities in connection therewith, to acquire by purchase, or by gift or by taking by right of eminent domain under Chapter 79 of the General Laws, or otherwise, the following described parcels of land:

Parcel No. 1. Land of Charles H. and Agnes E. Newton containing 94/100 acres more or less and situated on the southerly side of Main Street in the Town of Southborough and bounded on the north by other land of Charles H. and Agnes E. Newton and land of Clarence W. and Arlene S. Wentworth, and bounded on the east by land of Borden A. and Violet R. Schrader and land of William H. and Blanche C. Slocomb, and bounded on the south by land of Mary M. Bates, and bounded on the west by land of Mary M. Bates.

Parcel No. 2. Land of Mary M. Bates containing 3-81/100 acres more or less and situated on the southerly side of Main Street in the Town of Southborough and

bounded on the north by Main Street and the land of Charles H. and Agnes E. Newton, and bounded on the east by land of William H. and Blanche C. Slocumb, land of James, Mary and Catherine Gralton, land of Blanche E. Baker and land of Henry J. and Rosalie C. Baker, and bounded on the south by land of St. Mark's School Trustees, and bounded on the west by land of Choate Memorial Park and land of Eva B. Davis.

Parcel No. 3. Land of Eva B. Davis containing 2-67/100 acres more or less and situated on the southerly side of Main Street in the Town of Southborough and bounded on the north by other land of Eva B. Davis, and land of Elizabeth F. Staples, and land of the Pilgrim Congregational Church, and bounded on the east by land of Mary M. Bates, and bounded on the south by land of Choate Memorial Park, and bounded on the west by land of Choate Memorial Park.

Parcel No. 4. Land of Choate Memorial Park containing 3-97/100 acres more or less and situated on the easterly side of Cordaville Road in the Town of Southborough and bounded on the north by land of the Southborough Village Society, bounded on the east by land of Eva B. Davis, land of Mary M. Bates and land of St. Mark's School Trustees, and bounded on the west by Cordaville Road.

and that the sum of \$17,000.00 be transferred from the Post-War Rehabilitation Fund to acquire said land.

The result, determined by standing vote, was as follows:

Votes in favor — 164 Against — 35.

Voted: To consider Article 6 at this time.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from any of its available funds the sum of fifty-seven hundred dollars (\$5,700.00) for the purpose of employing experts to make a re-appraisal of all taxable real estate in town for the purpose of equalization of assessed valuations and equalization of taxation, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by Board of Assessors).

Voted: That the sum of fifty-seven hundred (5,700.00) dollars be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency account and that the same be appropriated for the Purpose of an expert appraisal of all taxable real estate in the town, such appraisal

to be made by experts to be selected by the Board of Assessors; and that the Board of Assessors be, and hereby is authorized, under the provisions of Chapter 40 Section 4 of the General Laws, to enter into such contracts and agreements as they may deem necessary and convenient for such purpose.

Voted: To consider Article 7 at this time.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Water Commissioners to sell, turn in or otherwise dispose of a Dodge truck owned by it and apply said truck or the proceeds of the sale thereof toward the purchase price of a new truck, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by Board of Water Commissioners).

Voted: In the words of the article.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote, for the purpose of creating an elementary school building and other necessary or desirable facilities in connection therewith, to acquire by purchase, or by gift or by taking by right of eminent domain under Chapter 79 of the General Laws, or otherwise, the following described parcel of land:

Land of Helen Sears Bradley, Trustee containing eight acres more or less and situated on the northerly side of Main Street in the Town of Southborough and bounded on the north, and bounded on the east, and bounded on the south by lands of St. Mark's School and bounded on the west by other land of Helen Sears Bradley, Trustee,

and to appropriate money therefor, and to determine how said appropriation shall be raised, whether by transfer from available funds in the treasury, including the Post War Rehabilitation Fund, and/or by borrowing or otherwise, or do or act anything in relation thereto.

Voted: To dismiss the article.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$450,000.00 for the purpose of constructing and originally equipping and furnishing an elementary school building and other necessary or desirable facilities in connection therewith, and to determine how said appropriation shall be raised, whether by transfer from available funds in the treasury, including the Post War Rehabilitation Fund, and/or by borrowing or otherwise, or do or act anything in relation thereto.

Voted: To dismiss the article.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$400,000.00 for the purpose of constructing and originally equipping and furnishing an elementary school building and other necessary or desirable facilities in connection therewith, and to determine how said appropriation shall be raised, whether by transfer from available funds in the treasury, including the Post War Rehabilitation Fund, and/or by borrowing or otherwise or do or act anything in relation thereto.

Voted: To dismiss the article.

Voted: To adjourn the meeting at 11:25 P. M.

Attest:

A true copy:

JOHN J. RABENI,
Town Clerk.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING — MAY 26, 1952

The Moderator, Earl G. Stringer, called the meeting to order at 7:33 P. M., and declared that there was a quorum present. The Moderator read the Warrant. There were 460 voters present.

Article 1. To see if the Town will vote to amend its by-laws by striking out and deleting Section 16 of Article II, which section provides as follows:

“Section 16. The procedure and conduct of Town meetings not herein provided for, or otherwise regulated by general or special Laws of the Commonwealth, shall be governed by Robert’s Rules of Parliamentary Practice, so far as it is applicable,”

or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Town Counsel).

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to reconsider the action taken under Article 1 of the Special Town Meeting held on April 7, 1952, under which article the Town voted to purchase certain land for school building purposes, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by Percy Battye and 392 others).

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to reconsider the action taken under Article 3 of the Special Town Meeting held on April 7, 1952, under which article the Town voted to appropriate five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000.00) for the construction of a new elementary school, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by Percy Battye and 392 others)

Voted: To limit debate on Articles 1, 2 and 3.

Voted: To dismiss Articles 1, 2 and 3 as a group.

The result, determined by standing vote, was as follows:

Votes in favor of dismissal — 187. Against — 165.

Voted: To consider Article 5 at this time.

Voted: That the result of the vote, regarding Article 5, be determined by ballot.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote for the purpose of erecting an elementary school building and other necessary or desirable facilities in connection therewith, to acquire by purchase, or by gift or by taking by right of eminent domain under Chapter 79 of the General Laws, or otherwise, the following described parcel of land:

Land of St. Mark's School, Inc., containing four and three-quarters ($4\frac{3}{4}$) acres, more or less, and situated on the northerly side of Marlborough Road, at the junction of said Marlborough Road and Main Street in the Town of Southborough, and bounded on the north by other land of St. Mark's School, Inc., and bounded on the east by other land of St. Mark's School, Inc., and land of the Town of Southborough; and bounded on the south by land of Alfred and Maria DiPesa, and land of Arthur L. and Hazel A. Hosmer and other land of the Town of Southborough; and also bounded on the south by Main Street; and bounded on the west by Marlborough Road,

and to appropriate money therefor and to determine how said appropriation shall be raised, whether by transfer from available funds in the treasury, including the Post War Rehabilitation Fund, and/or by borrowing or otherwise, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by Percy Battye and 392 others).

The motion relative to Article 5 is as follows:

I move that the Town for the purpose of erecting an elemen-

tary school building and other necessary or desirable facilities in connection therewith, acquire by purchase, or by gift or by taking by right or eminent domain under Chapter 79 of the General Laws or otherwise, the following described parcel of land:

Land of St. Mark's School, Inc. containing four and three-quarters ($4\frac{3}{4}$) acres, more or less, and situated on the northerly side of Main Street and the easterly side of Marlborough Road, at the junction of said Marlborough Road and Main Street in the Town of Southborough, and bounded on the north by other land of St. Mark's School, Inc., and bounded on the east by other land of St. Mark's School, Inc., and land of the Town of Southborough; and bounded on the south by land of Alfred and Marie DiPesa, and land of Howard C. and Myrtle Newton and land of Arthur L. and Hazel A. Hosmer and other land of the Town of Southborough; and also bounded on the south by Main Street; and bounded on the west by Marlborough Road.

The result, determined by ballot, was as follows:

Votes in favor of article — 247. Against — 165.

The Moderator ruled that the motion was defeated, stating that a two-thirds vote was necessary to carry said motion. Mr. Philip W. Burke, being of the opinion that only a majority vote was required, asked the Moderator for permission, which was granted, to take exception to the ruling and to have said exception recorded.

Mr. Earl R. Smiddy requested to have the Moderator's instructions to the voters, relative to the procedure to be followed in marking and depositing ballots, recorded.

Voting on Article 5 was by use of the "Yes-No" ballot. The Moderator instructed the voters, on a predetermined plan, whereby the voters were to approach the ballot-box by way of the side aisles, receive, mark and deposit their ballots, and return to their seats by the center aisle.

A motion, duly made and seconded, to pass or dismiss Article 4 was defeated.

Voted: To consider Article 7 at this time.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from any of its available funds, a sum of money for the purpose of constructing and originally equipping

and furnishing an elementary school building and other necessary or desirable facilities in connection therewith, such sum to be in addition to any other sums voted to be raised, appropriated, transferred or borrowed during 1952 for such purposes, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the School Housing Committee).

Voted: That the sum of \$1,000.00 be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency account and appropriated for the purpose of constructing and originally equipping and furnishing an elementary school building and other necessary or desirable facilities in connection therewith, said sum to be in addition to any appropriated for said purpose during 1952.

Voted: That the meeting be adjourned to Tuesday, June 3, 1952 at 7:30 P. M.

A true copy:

Attest:

JOHN J. RABENI,
Town Clerk.

ADJOURNED SPECIAL TOWN MEETING — JUNE 3, 1952

Moderator Earl G. Stringer called the meeting to order at 7:35 P. M., and declared that a quorum was present. The Moderator read the Warrant. There were 340 voters present.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to amend the vote taken under Article 3 of the Warrant for the Special Town Meeting held on April 7, 1952 by reducing the sum of \$500,000.00 raised and appropriated under said vote and also to amend said vote by reducing the amount authorized to be borrowed as well as reducing the amount, if any, appropriated from other sources, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by Percy Battye and 392 others).

Voted: That the result of the vote, regarding Article 4, be determined by ballot.

The following motion relates to Article 4.

I move that the vote taken under Article 3 of the Warrant for the Special Town Meeting held on April 7, 1952 be amended

by reducing the sum of \$500,000.00 raised and appropriated under said vote and also be amended by reducing the amount authorized to be borrowed under said vote, so that the vote shall read as follows:

That the sum of \$420,000.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of constructing and originally equipping and furnishing an elementary school building, and that to meet said appropriation the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow the sum of \$420,000.00 and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor, payable in not more than 20 years, \$120,000.00 of the amount authorized to be borrowed shall be under the authority of and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws and \$300,000.00 of the said amount shall be under the authority of and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 645 of the Acts of 1948 as amended, and the present School Housing Committee is hereby authorized to enter into contracts and to do all things that are necessary and convenient for constructing, equipping and furnishing such school building and that in the event that a vacancy shall occur in said Committee the remaining members of said Committee be and hereby are authorized to fill such vacancy.

A motion, to limit debate, created a controversy and much confusion.

The Town Counsel ruled that a two-thirds vote was required in order to carry said motion. Mr. Alexander J. Slack, questioned the counsel's ruling.

Mr. Harold A. Bauld stated that in as much as the question of a new school was a very important matter, involving a great deal of money, he was of the opinion that debate should be allowed to continue.

On a standing vote, the motion to limit debate was defeated:

Votes in favor of continuing debate	172
Votes in favor of limiting debate	139

Mr. Bauld, speaking for the School Housing Committee, compared figures and explained costs of the formerly approved school building against the costs of the school building proposed under the preceding motion.

After considerable discussion the ballot vote was taken and the result was as follows:

Votes in favor of Article 4 — 208. Against — 139.

The Moderator ruled that the motion was defeated, stating that a two-thirds vote was necessary to carry said motion.

On a motion offered by Mr. Philip W. Burke, and duly seconded, it was voted to reconsider the action taken under Articles 4 and 5 of the May 26, 1952 meeting.

The result of a standing vote, relative to said motion, was as follows:

Votes favoring reconsideration — 17. Against — 3.

On a motion presented by Mr. Philip W. Burke, and duly seconded, it was voted that Articles 4 and 5 of the May 26, 1952 Town Meeting be dismissed.

On a motion offered by Mr. Charles S. Barton, both groups were given a vote of thanks for work accomplished, and a rising vote of confidence was given Town Counsel, Alfred W. Howes.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to rescind the action taken under Article 1 of the Warrant for the Special Town Meeting held on April 7, 1952 under which vote four parcels of land were to be acquired for the building of an elementary school and the sum of \$17,000.00 authorized to be transferred from the Post War Rehabilitation Fund Therefor, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by Percy Battye and 392 others).

Unanimously Voted: To dismiss Article 6.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to rescind the vote taken under Article 27 of the Annual Town Meeting held on March 10, 1952, under which the Town voted to appropriate Two Thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) for the Purchase of a Police cruiser equipped with a two-way radio, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen).

Unanimously Voted: That the vote taken under Article 27 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting held on March 10, 1952, under which the Town voted to appropriate \$2,000.00 for the purchase of a Police cruiser car equipped with a two-way radio be and hereby is rescinded and that the sum of \$2,000.00 appropriated therefor be returned to the Town treasury.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from any

of its available funds a sum of money to be used for the purchase of a new Police cruiser equipped with a two-way radio and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell, turn in or otherwise dispose of the 1948 Ford Sedan now used as a Police cruiser, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen).

Voted: That the sum of \$2,000.00 be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency account and that the same be appropriated for the purchase of a new Police cruiser car equipped with a two-way radio and that the Board of Selectmen be and hereby is authorized to sell, turn in or otherwise dispose of the 1948 Sedan now used as a police cruiser.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury the sum of \$1,712.00 for the Police Department for Night Patrol, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen).

Voted: That the sum of \$1,300.00 be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency account and added to the account for the Special Police under the Police Department for the purpose of night patrol.

The result, determined by standing vote, was as follows:

Votes in favor of Article 10 — 86. Against — 21.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from unappropriated available funds the sum of \$765.00 for a 7-cent hourly raise for the employees of the Highway Department, or do or act thereon.

Unanimously Voted: That the sum of \$765.00 be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency account and be appropriated as an addition to the Highway account for the purpose of increasing the hourly wage of the employees of the Highway Department 7 cents per hour.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to authorize and instruct the present School Housing Committee to continue the investigation of school building needs of the Town and to appropriate or transfer from any of its available funds a sum of money for such purpose or to authorize said Committee to use any funds previously voted and made available for such purpose, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by School Housing Committee).

Voted: That the present School Housing Committee be authorized and instructed to continue investigation of school building needs within the Town and that said Committee be empowered to prepare preliminary plans, specifications and cost estimates of said school facilities and to report its findings and recommendations at a future town meeting, and for such purpose that said Committee be authorized to expend the balance of \$6,031.41 remaining from the several appropriations made for such purpose, the last appropriation of \$5,000.00 having been made under Article 2 of the warrant for the Special Town Meeting of June 25, 1951.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to create a special unpaid Board under Chapter 638 of the Acts of 1949, to be known as a Regional School District Planning Board, to consist of three (3) members, including one member of the School Committee, to be appointed by the Moderator. Such Board to study the advisability of establishing a regional school district, its organization, operation, and control, and of constructing, maintaining and operating a school to serve the needs of such District; to estimate the construction and operating costs thereof; to investigate the methods of financing such school, and other matters pertaining to the organization and operating of a Regional School District; and to submit a report of its findings and recommendations to the Selectmen, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the School Committee).

Voted: That the Town create a special unpaid committee to consist of three members to be appointed by the Moderator, one of whom shall be a member of the School Committee, said committee to study the advisability of creating a committee to be known as the "Regional School District Planning Committee" and to investigate and study such other matters related thereto as it may deem advisable and to report the results of its investigation and study and to make recommendations to the next Annual Town Meeting.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from any of its available funds, a sum of money and appropriate the same for extra legal services performed and to be performed for the Assessors' Department, the Welfare Department and the School Building Committee, or do or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Town Counsel).

Unanimously Voted: That the sum of \$3,000.00 be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency account and that the

same be appropriated for legal services and to be added to the appropriation made for legal services under Item 9 of Article 4 of the warrant for the Annual Town Meeting held on March 10, 1952; said sum to be used only for legal services rendered in connection with the acquisition of land for school facilities and in connection with construction of school facilities, for legal services rendered to the Board of Assessors in connection with revaluation of the Town as voted under Article 6, of the warrant for the Special Town Meeting held on April 7, 1952, and for legal services rendered to the Board of Public in connection with placement of liens on real estate of old age benefit recipients.

Voted That the meeting be dissolved at 11:40 P. M.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING FAILS TO MATERIALIZE

In the absence of a quorum (75 voters) three attempts to hold a Special Town Meeting met with failure.

Date of Meeting	Number of Voters Present
12-15-52	23
12-22-52	20
1- 5-53	62

A true record:

Attest:

JOHN J. RABENI,
Town Clerk.

STATISTICS FOR 1952

Births Recorded, Males	40
Births Recorded, Females	33
Births Recorded, Delayed Returns	2
Deaths Recorded, Males	19
Deaths Recorded, Females	10
Marriages Recorded	20
Marriage Intentions Filed	18
Dogs Licensed, Males and Spayed Females (\$2.00)	288
Dogs Licensed, Females (\$5.00)	31
Kennel Licenses (\$25.00)	2
Kennel Licenses (\$10.00)	8
Paid Town Treasurer	\$795.00
License Fees	66.00
Sporting Licenses issued	264
Paid Department of Conservation	\$857.00
License Fees	\$65.75
Vital Statistics	\$123.00

IMPORTANT REQUEST

Please notify the Town Clerk immediately of any error or omission in the following list of births.

Errors not reported at once can be corrected only by sworn affidavit, as prescribed by the General Laws, and may cause you inconvenience which can be avoided by prompt attention.

BIRTHS RECORDED IN 1952

DATE	NAME OF CHILD	PARENTS	PLACE OF BIRTH
JANUARY			
2	Charles Baskerville Saunders, III	Charles B. & Margaret M. (Shafer) Saunders	Framingham
6	Penny Lou LaRock	Fred C. & Grace M. (Titus) LaRock	Morrisville
11	Robin Allen Binns	Edmunds & Margaret (Kinney) Binns	Framingham
18	Neil Doore Houghton	Rodney & Frances (Doore) Houghton	Framingham
23	Lois Ann Tognacci	Ralph P. & Virginia (Pineo) Tognacci	Natick
28	Richard Peter deMello	Peter G. & Alice E. (Avery) deMello	Marlboro
30	Lynn Ann Adams	John E. & Josephine (Umina) Adams	Framingham
FEBRUARY			
3	Deborah Emerson Dekkers	Cornelis J. & Marion (Emerson) Dekkers	Boston
5	Alan John Milley	John & Shirley (Peters) Milley	Framingham
5	Nancy Beth Hubley	Alvah F. & Martha E. (Funderburk) Hubley, Jr.	Marlboro
9	Robert Laptewicz	Walter J. & Josephine T. (Zarba) Laptewicz	Hudson
14	Jeffrey Eastman Atherton	Ralph & Miriam E. (Johnson) Atherton	Hudson
15	Dennis Paul McCarthy	Paul J. & Jeanne L. (O'Connell) McCarthy	Framingham
15	Brett Joel McLeod	Stanley & Constance (Dolley) McLeod	Framingham
MARCH			
1	Robert James Bartolini	John A. & Marguerite F. (Foley) Bartolini	Hudson
6	James Allan Specht	Robert & Nancy (Allan) Specht	Framingham
8	Kathleen Ellen Tombari	Louis F. & Eleanor M. (Flynn) Tombari	Framingham
11	Michael Raymond Tomasetti	Raymond J. & Alice J. (Banks) Tomasetti	Marlboro
12	Sandra Lee Hunt	Richard O. & Marjorie L. (Dube) Hunt	Marlboro

BIRTHS RECORDED — Continued

DATE	NAME OF CHILD	PARENTS	PLACE OF BIRTH
14	Louis Edward Bartolini	Louis J. & Mary R. (Kiley) Bartolini	Framingham
16	Rebecca Battles	Allin & Elizabeth (Pease) Battles	Framingham
21	Richard Domenic Maly	Rudolph & Marion C. (Moore) Maly	Hudson
28	Timothy Barton	Charles S. & Mary E. (McConologue) Barton	<u>Framingham</u>
APRIL			
13	Christine Ann Urbinati	Louis B. and Nancy J. (Gravina) Urbinati	Framingham
20	Lynne Baker	Thomas M. & Joyce N. (Emery) Baker	Framingham
22	Rosemary Theresa Sora	Peter & Norma (Merrills) Sora	Framingham
25	John Michael Adkins	Robert M. & Eleanor J. (Carruthers) Adkins	Framingham
28	Smith	William H. & Clare M. (Casciattlo) Smith	Boston
72 MAY			
3	Michael James Ullman	Mark W. & Anne M. (Arnold) Ullman	Framingham
5	Leslie Ann Cooper	Laurence A. & Natalie (Green) Cooper, Jr.	Marlboro
10	Catherine Mary Kane	John V. & Catherine P. (Misner) Kane	Marlboro
11	James Savage Stone	Timothy P. & Virginia (Amesbury) Stone	Framingham
11	Douglas Stephen Readio	Ellis & Avonia (Williams) Readio	Natick
13	Timothy Brock	Edward F. & Beatrice A. (Barlow) Brock	Framingham
21	William Ben Spiller	William C. & Linda (MacArthur) Spiller	Boston
JUNE			
10	Diane Caryl LaVigne	Ambrose & Lillian (Hopkins) LaVigne	Framingham
12	Margaret Mary Pink	George J. & Mary (Vaas) Pink	Boston
13	James Abram Garfield	Irvin M. & Elinor (Fay) Garfield	Framingham
14	Kenneth James Angelico	Edward A. & Dorothy (Bertonassi) Angelico	Hudson
23	Thomas Crane Wales, III	Thomas C. & Sonia (Douglas) Wales, Jr.	Boston

JULY

3	Sandra Lea Garcia	Raymond J. & Lorraine N. (Belanger) Garcia	Marlboro
8	Bonnie Beth Bishop	James & Justina M. (Kinney) Bishop	Marlboro
10	Kenneth Lee Cibelli	Lee & Anita (DelSesto) Cibelli	Framingham
13	Todd Herbert Malcomb	James & Ella (Pendelton) Malcomb	Framingham
15	Kathy Sands Schroder	Frederick E. & Nancy L. (Gaul) Schroder	Worcester
18	Priscilla Anne Souza	Ralph M. & Mary H. (Dateno) Souza	Marlboro
22	Meredith Dixon McLaughlin	Richard G. & Jean A. (Clapp) McLaughlin	Framingham
27	David Albert Sickles	Thomas L. & Gwendolyn E. (Doore) Sickles	Framingham

AUGUST

6	James Fantony	Joseph & Charlotte (McGovern) Fantony	Framingham
14	Scott Alan Nelson	Robert R. & Barbara (LaCounte) Nelson	Framingham
18	Susan Jean Margadonna	Richard E. & Gloria (Coughlin) Margadonna	Marlboro
18	Sandra Anne Margadonna	Richard E. & Gloria (Coughlin) Margadonna	Marlboro
29	Karen Louise Hayward	William E. & Elizabeth (Henry) Hayward	Boston

SEPTEMBER

23	Christine Margaret Grace	William & Helen (Graham) Grace	Framingham
24	Nadia Maria Torcoletti	Candido & Alphonsina (Gasparoni) Torcoletti	Framingham
27	Robert Lewis Hardy	George E. & Muriel (Millet) Hardy	Framingham
29	Debra Jeanne Brownly	Richard C. & Eunice J. (Marcure) Brownly	Marlboro
30	Linda Lee Cibelli	Robert A. & Jane E. (Conway) Cibelli	Marlboro

OCTOBER

4	Katharine Page Loring	Charles G. & Victoria (Harrington) Loring	Boston
6	Richard Sarkis Hagopian	Sarkis J. & Elizabeth (Aselbekian) Hagopian	Framingham
17	Marianne Gottwald	Charles S. & Mary (Colucci) Gottwald	Natick
24	_____ Reilly	Richard J. & Oueida C. (Gilbert) Reilly	Worcester

DATE	NAME OF CHILD	PARENTS	PLACE OF BIRTH
NOVEMBER			
7	Deborah Ruth Reynolds	Ralph W. & Frieda V. (Berglind) Reynolds	Framingham
28	Barbara Ann Perham	Arthur & Eileen M. (Sullivan) Perham	Framingham
DECEMBER			
5	Wayne Alan Banks	Paul W. & Joyce (Thorpe) Banks	Milford
19	Ronald George Mattioli	Richard L. & Rita A. (Noborini) Mattioli	Worcester
13	Patricia Zinkawich	Albert J. & Elsie (MacDonald) Zinkawich	Cambridge
27	Clayton Whitney Jacobs	Whitney W. & Edna E. (Morgan) Jacobs	Framingham
26	Lawrence Carl Patuto	Lawrence C. & Doris A. (Bushee) Patuto	Framingham

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN 1952

JANUARY

- 10 In Boston K Herbert E. Harrington, Jr., of Southborough to Joyce M. Hart of Shaker Heights, Ohio.
- 13 In Southborough — George H. Bussell to Ruth E. Johnston, both of Southborough.

FEBRUARY

- 19 In Southborough — Beryl W. Curran, of Portland, Oregon to Hilda E. MacLean of Hudson.

MARCH

- 15 In Natick — Gordon L. Bailey, of Southborough to Ione M. Graham of Natick.

MAY

- 4 In Southborough — William H. Park, Jr., of Southborough to Elizabeth A. Gray of Littleton, New Hampshire.
- 17 In Southborough — Francis X. Nugent, of Southborough to Marion B. Peacock of Hopkinton.

JUNE

- 7 In Millbury — Frank R. Aspinwall, of Sutton to Eleanor M. Bates of Southborough.
- 21 In Southborough — Arnold G. Gardner, of Salt Lake City, Utah to Joan A. Labarre of Southborough.
- 28 In Marlborough — Paul F. Gale of Southborough to Helen A. Usinas of Marlborough.

AUGUST

- 9 In Marlborough — Ralph F. DelGreco, of Southborough to Margherita A. Provasoli of Marlborough.
- 16 In Southborough — Anthony J. Zarba of Marlborough to Mary T. Howes of Southborough.
- 24 In Southborough — Warren S. Knight to Barbara J. Hutchins, both of Southborough.

SEPTEMBER

- 6 In Southborough — Richard E. Conway, of Hudson to Marianne B. Rossi of Southborough.
- 26 In Southborough — Robert S. Merchant, of Southborough to Alice C. Vetsch of Minot, North Dakota.

OCTOBER

- 19 In Framingham — Edo E. Grandoni, of Framingham to Barbara L. Spinazola of Southborough.

NOVEMBER

- 1 In Framingham — Leo E. Kendrick, Jr. of Framingham to Avis M. Batchelder of Southborough.
29 In Marlborough — Lawrence G. Howe, of Southborough to Virginia L. Robinson of Marlborough.

DECEMBER

- 6 In Holliston — William H. Minnucci, of Southborough to Ruth E. Binks of Holliston.
25 In Southborough — Joseph E. Thompson, of Framingham to Leona D. Rice of Southborough.

DEATHS RECORDED IN 1952

DANE	NAME	AGE	PLACE OF DEATH
JANUARY			
23	Harry B. Spurr	75 1 14	Southborough
FEBRUARY			
1	Robert V. Vitale	5 0 0	Southborough
MARCH			
5	William Harper	0 7 0	Boston
17	Margaret McCarthy	86 0 0	Southborough
18	Mary E. Goodnow	80 2 29	Southborough
23	Benjamin A. MacArthur	51 6 15	Framingham
26	Helen S. MacNeill	61 0 0	Framingham
APRIL			
2	George W. Miller	86 4 2	Southborough
6	Patrick H. Gormley	84 0 0	Southborough
27	William Quinn	80 0 0	Framingham
JUNE			
3	James E. O'Leary	75 10 23	Southborough
1	John T. Neary	65 0 0	Worcester
10	Lillian F. Smith	63 3 8	Worcester
30	David Bertrand	2 5 0	Boston
AUGUST			
14	Leonello F. Lotti	67 0 0	Southborough
31	Ada F. Gray	82 11 26	Southborough

SEPTEMBER

10	Charles A. LeGay	74	3	0	Southborough
22	Barbara B. Dempsey	81	10	7	Southborough

OCTOBER

15	Arlene B. Mattioli	30	1	13	Southborough
18	Albert Plante	51	0	0	Southborough
20	Gordon A. Kenison	28	6	18	Southborough
20	Ernest R. Oulton	27	11	22	Southborough
27	Susanne S. Wood	59	9	10	Southborough
31	Fermina C. Baldelli	59	0	0	Southborough

NOVEMBER

20	August Stucker	83	5	8	Southborough
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DECEMBER

12	Rose A. Maroney	92	4	22	Ashland
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JOHN J. RABENI,
Town Clerk.

JURY LIST — 1952

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,
Gentlemen:

(Women)

Name and Occupation	Address
Mrs. Anne J. Boland, Housewife	East Main St.
Mrs. H. Elizabeth Bussell, Housewife	Parkerville Rd.
Mrs. Josephine E. Colleary, Housewife	Winchester St.
Mrs. Helen V. Concannon, Secretary, Law Office	East Main St.
Mrs. Regeanne R. Corbett, Homemaker	Middle Rd.
Mrs. Elizabeth L. Doane, Housewife	Lynbrook Farm
Mrs. Florence Fitzgerald, Housewife	Woodland Rd.
Mrs. Doris L. Gay, Housewife	Jehrico Hill Rd.
Mrs. Dorothy F. Henderson, Housewife	East Main St.
Mrs. Mary S. Ingalls, Housewife	St. Mark's School
Mrs. Anna M. Labarre, Housewife	White Bagley Rd.
Mrs. Myrtle E. Lange, Housewife	Ward Rd.
Miss Irene McEvoy, Dietitian (Retired)	Middle Rd.
Mrs. Helen J. O'Reilly, Housewife	Boston Rd.

Miss Angie Prosperi, Sausage Linker	Newton St.
Mrs. Rita Quinn, Housewife	Ashland Rd.
Mrs. Frances E. Rabeni, Newspaper Reporter and Housewife	Central St.
Miss Violet M. Ramsdell, Retired School Teacher	Prentiss St.
Mrs. Dorothy T. Wood, Housewife	Cottage St.

(Men)

Name and Occupation	Address
David W. Aldrich, Industrial Engineer	A St.
Fred L. Baker, Auditing	Middle Rd.
Charles S. Barton, Pres. Rice-Barton Corp.	Deerfoot Rd.
John L. Connor, Inventory Clerk	Cross St.
Albert A. Cook, Mechanic	Chestnut Hill Rd.
Laurence A. Cooper, Jr., Research Engineer	School St.
John C. Dekkers, Purchasing Engineer	Wood St.
Angelo P. Delarda, Deerfoot-Meat Packing, Mgr.	Central St.
Burton B. Derby, Tool and Die Inspector	Southville Rd.
Donald Dezarn, Telephone Co. (Field Clerk)	Oak Hill Rd.
Irwin Smith, Electrician (Retired)	Turnpike Rd.
Charles H. Holmes, Retired	Parkerville Rd.
Ernest L. Kallander, Chemical Engineer	A St.
George P. Knight, Inspector	Highland Rd.
Robert R. Nelson, Mechanic	Cordaville Rd.
George J. Pink, Salesman	Main St.
Earl O. Watkins, Inspector	Boston Rd.
Francis E. Wood, Salesman	Cottage St.

NOTICE

**All dogs licenses expire March 31, 1953.
Dogs must be licensed on or before April
1st or the owners or keepers thereof are
liable to a fine.**

**The law applies to all dogs three months
old or over, regardless of time of year
ownership is acquired. No tax bills are
sent to owners of dogs.**

REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER

To the Board of Selectmen,
Town of Southboro, Mass.

I hereby submit the annual Report of the Town Treasurer
for the year 1952.

Cash Balance Jan. 1, 1952	\$156,232.64
Receipts from all Sources	416,766.44

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	\$572,999.08
Total Payments	386,495.68

Cash Balance Dec. 31, 1952	<hr/>
	\$186,503.40

These funds are accounted for as follows: —

Peoples National Bank Balance	\$145,966.38
First National Bank of Marlboro	29,459.58
Marlboro Savings Bank	1,101.53
Cash on Hand	9,975.91
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	\$186,503.40

The Town of Southboro is in an excellent financial condition
with an increase of \$30,270.76 in its cash balance over last
year.

As previously reported, all trust funds are invested. No
change has been made in any of these except the purchase of
additional stocks for Newell Trust Fund from available cash.

An audit of the town books was made late in 1951. No official
report of this audit has ever been received, but all Cash funds
were accounted for.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD L. KEHEW,
Town Treasurer.

REPORT OF TOWN COLLECTOR

Cemetery Department

Committed in 1952		\$4,096.00
Paid Direct to Treasurer	\$200.00	
Paid Treasurer	3,604.50	
Outstanding	803.00	
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		\$4,607.50
Paid on Old Accounts		511.50
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		\$4,096.00

Selectmen

Outstanding	\$185.98	
Committed in 1952	8,170.86	
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		\$8,356.84
Paid Treasurer	\$8,184.56	
Uncollected	172.28	
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		\$8,356.84

Welfare Department

Committed in 1952		\$2,006.99
Paid Direct to Treasurer	\$210.85	
Paid Treasurer	1,459.97	
Uncollected	336.17	
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		\$2,006.99

Tree Warden Department

Committed in 1952		\$157.50
Paid Treasurer	\$95.40	
Uncollected	62.30	
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		\$157.50

School Department

Outstanding in 1951		\$358.77
Outstanding in 1952		358.77

Veterans Services

OUTSTANDING STATE AUDIT		\$344.85
Outstanding 1952		344.85

REPORT OF COLLECTOR FOR WATER DEPARTMENT

Services

Outstanding 1951 Report	\$207.68	
Old Accounts	91.64	
Committed in 1952	1,232.77	
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		\$1,532.09
Paid Treasurer	\$1,172.57	
Outstanding	257.57	
Abated	101.95	
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		\$1,532.09

List of Services Installed in 1952

John Bowers	Wood Street	\$13.50	
Orman Sanborn	Parkerville Road	39.80	
Gordner Boutillier	Southville Road	28.45	
John Baveri	Valley Road	42.95	
T & P Construction	Mitchell Street	31.85	
T & P Construction	John Street	36.70	
John Bartolini	Oak Hill Road	49.50	
James Williams	Atwood Street	44.45	
Ruth Sawin	Oak Hill Road	33.40	
Stanley McLeod	Oak Hill Road	49.90	Abated
Lewis Martino	Turnpike Road	47.70	
Annie G. Young	Oak Hill Road	39.80	
George Knight	Atwood Street	76.25	
Mrs. A. S. Woodward	Oak Hill Road	42.50	
Robert Herb	Atwood Street	69.05	
Alexander J. Mennino	Oak Hill Road	60.50	
Paul McCarthy	White Bagley Road	43.90	
Walter Brewer	Boston Road	6.30	
Albert Deschenes	Boston Road	7.05	
Forest Bussell	Parkerville Road	58.20	
John R. Suydam	Cordaville Road	18.62	
Joseph R. Trioli	Brook Street	17.10	
Robert Wilbur	Oak Hill Road	74.50	
Charles Mauro	Turnpike Road	82.85	
Fred Tombari	Pleasant Street	52.05	Abated
David Thoits	Southville Road	35.80	
Joseph Trioli	Brook Street	34.90	
John Boland	East Main Street	46.50	
Joseph Fantony	Turnpike Road	48.70	

Water Rates and Miscellaneous

Outstanding 1951 Report	\$2,291.15	
Old Miscellaneous	23.85	
Committed in 1952	32,350.17	
		\$34,665.17

Paid Treasurer	\$31,237.26	
Abated	183.45	
Uncollected	2,983.97	
Water Lien	260.49	
		\$34,665.17

1949 Taxes

Uncollected	\$21.99	
Interest	.43	
		\$22.42

Paid Treasurer	\$8.32	
Tax Title	14.10	
		\$22.42

1950 Taxes

Uncollected — 1951 Report	\$1,122.47	
Interest and Costs	74.67	
		\$1,197.14

Paid Treasurer	\$1,164.65	
Abated	6.90	
Outstanding	11.79	
Tax Title	13.80	
		\$1,197.14

1951 Taxes

Outstanding — 1951 Report	\$14,413.03	
Costs and Interests	335.67	
		\$14,748.70

Paid Treasurer	\$13,681.41	
Abated	281.50	
Uncollected	795.79	
		\$14,758.70

Overpaid Treasurer	\$10.00	
		<u>\$14,748.70</u>

1952 Taxes

Warrants Committed in 1952	\$195,011.68	
Interest	83.79	
		<u>\$195,095.47</u>
Paid Treasurer	\$176,131.33	
Abated	3,051.89	
Uncollected	16,035.93	
		<u>\$195,219.15</u>
Refunded	\$121.03	
		<u>\$195,098.12</u>
Overpaid Treasurer	\$2.65	
		<u>\$195,095.47</u>

1984 Motor Vehicle Excises

Outstanding in 1951 Report	\$2.22
Uncollected	2.22

1949 Motor Vehicle Excises

Outstanding in 1951 Report	\$12.13
Uncollected	12.13

1950 Motor Vehicle Excises

Outstanding 1951 Report	\$26.84
Uncollected	26.84

1951 Motor Vehicle Excises

Uncollected 1951 Report	\$1,287.83	
Committed in 1952	822.85	
Interest	1.97	
		<u>\$2,112.65</u>
Paid Treasurer	\$1,901.20	
Uncollected	191.58	
Abated	19.87	
		<u>\$2,112.65</u>

1952 Motor Vehicle Excises		
Warrants in 1952	\$20,147.56	
Interest	.48	
	<hr/>	\$20,148.04
Paid Treasurer	\$17,414.19	
Abated	194.33	
Uncollected	2,539.52	
	<hr/>	\$20,148.04

Respectfully submitted,

MARJORIE F. McDONALD,
Town Collector.

REPORT OF BOARD OF ASSESSORS 1952 RECAPITULATION

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
Town of Southborough, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

Herewith we submit a recapitulation of the figures used in
fixing the tax rate for the year 1952.

Total Appropriations	\$297,152.81	
From Available Funds	42,992.19	
	<hr/>	\$340,145.00

STATE: TAX AND ASSESSMENTS

State Parks and Reservations	\$458.38	
State Audit of Municipal Accounts	710.72	
	<hr/>	\$1,169.10

COUNTY: TAX AND ASSESSMENTS

County Tax	\$11,344.01	
Tuberculosis Hospital Assessment	5,771.32	
	<hr/>	\$17,115.33
Overlay of current year		5,408.37
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		\$363,837.80

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS AND AVAILABLE FUNDS

Income Tax	\$24,252.02
Corporation Taxes	10,435.97
Old Age Tax (Meals) Chap 64B, S 10	679.77
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	18,215.07
Licenses	4,000.00
Fines	100.00
General Government	271.00
Protection of Persons and property	290.00
Grants and Gifts — St. Mark's School	2,700.00
Charities	1,300.00
Old Age Assistance	14,350.00
Veterans Benefits	1,200.00
Schools	10,000.00
Metropolitan (in lieu of taxes)	6,284.93
Public Service Enterprises (Water Dept.)	29,500.00
Cemeteries	\$1,600.00
Total Estimated Receipts	\$125,178.76
Overestimates (1951) as available Funds	
County Tax	\$570.87
County Tuberculosis Hospital	291.48
State Parks and Reservations	53.53
Taken from available funds	42,992.19
Total of Est. Receipts and Avail. Funds	\$169,086.83
NET AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION	\$194,750.97
Number of Polls at \$2.00 each — 887	
Poll Tax	\$1,774.00
Personal Property Tax	31,142.00
Real Estate Tax	161,834.97
	\$194,750.97
Water Liens added to taxes	260.49
Total amount of 1952 taxes on Polls and Property and of Assessments as committed to Collector	\$195,011.46
Total Valuation:	
Personal Property	\$546,351.00
Real Estate	2,839,210.00
Total	\$3,385,561.00

Tax Rate \$57.00

Tax Rate fixed on May 24, 1952

Approved by Commissioner on May 26, 1952

ABATEMENTS

1950 (Levy) Real and Personal	\$4.00
1951 (Levy) Real and Personal	307.50
1952 (Levy) Real and Personal	704.15
1950 (Levy) Polls	4.00
1952 (Levy) Polls	30.00
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	\$1,049.65

MOTOR EXCISE ABATEMENTS

1951 (Levy) Excise Tax	\$57.02
1952 (Levy) Excise Tax	663.23
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	\$720.25

EXEMPTIONS

1951 (Levy) Real Estate Ch. 59-5-17	\$140.00
1952 (Levy) Real Estate Ch. 59-5-17	384.32
1952 (Levy) Real Estate Ch. 59-5-18	114.00
1952 (Levy) Real Estate Ch. 59-5-22	2,869.00
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	\$3,507.32

1951 (Levy) Polls Ch. 59-17A	\$16.00
1952 (Levy) Polls Ch. 59-5-17A	138.00
1952 (Levy) Polls Military Service	26.00
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	\$180.00

Total	<hr/>	\$5,457.22
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Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT E. BANFILL,
RALPH H. CLARK,
WILLIAM N. DAVIS,
Board of Assessors of Southborough.

BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen: —

Herewith is presented the twenty-third Annual Report of the Board of Water Commissioners for the year 1952.

Meetings

There were 19 meetings held during the year.

One of the above was with the Advisory Board.

There were four meetings held with the Board of Selectmen as follows: —

Meeting to elect a new member to the Water Board.

Meeting on the Cross Street Extension.

Two meetings on insulating water main on Southville Road.

Two meetings were held with Paul Howard of Whitman and Howard on the report for improving the Water Supply of the Town.

In the Warrant of March 10, 1952 under Article 39. The Water Board proposed to install a loop from Clifford Street to present 8" main on Parkerville Road in order to increase the capacity of the pipe lines so that a larger pump could be installed.

This article was dismissed.

Four meetings were held with Alfred Howes, Town Counsel.

One meeting was held with Mr. William DiVitto, State Representative, on bills before General Court.

One meeting was held with the Board of Health at which meeting the sewage disposal of the new Elementary School was discussed, also the possibility of Constructing a swimming pool for the Town children at the Hopkinton Reservoir.

On March 3rd and 4th the Board of Water Commissioners with the Town Counsel met the Committee on Water Supply at the State House on Bill No. 2031 which bill would increase the amount of water, the Town would be allowed to take from the Sudbury Reservoir.

As a result of these meetings Bill No. 2031 was passed by the

General Court allowing the Town to take 400,000 gallons of water daily from the Sudbury Reservoir.

On Bill No. 2027 the Board was advised to wait until 1954 before presenting it to the General Court.

The above bill would increase the amount of water the Town would be allowed to take from the pressure tunnel.

On May 2, 1952 Mr. Walter Norton was appointed Water Commissioner by the Board of Selectmen to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Mr. Boland on April 22, 1952.

On October 28, 1952 the Water Board met with the Board of Health to discuss the sewage disposal system at the proposed Elementary School. The Board of Water Commissioners feel that the disposal of treated sewage into the Sudbury Reservoir is not good sanitary practice and some other means of disposal should be found. As a result the Water Board have sent letters to the various Boards in Town, plus the State Board of Health and the Metropolitan District Commission.

Inclosed in this report is a copy of this letter.

Warrant articles for Water Main Extensions will not be approved by the Water Board until agreements have been signed by the petitioners before the Town Meeting.

This action is taken by the Water Board and agreed to by the Board of Selectmen to save the Town unnecessary taxation.

Respectfully submitted,

HOWARD P. NORCROSS,
C. ED. BAKER,
WALTER J. NORTON,
Board of Water Commissioners.

December 5, 1952.

School Housing Committee,
Town of Southborough,
Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

It is proposed by your Committee to construct a school on the watershed of the Sudbury Reservoir and to dispose of the sewage from the school by means of a subsurface filter.

On October 7, 1952 the State Board of Health stated that it

was reluctant to approve the plans but it would approve the plans with certain reservations, if no other suitable site could be found for the school.

We, as the Board of Water Commissioners for the Town of Southborough, acting in the best interests of the Town, are opposed to the discharging of sewage effluent in any form into the Sudbury Reservoir. Approximately 2000 feet below the point where the sewage from the school will discharge is the open basin, which leads directly to the intake to the pumping station which supplies the Town of Southborough with water. The flow in this open basin allows no storage before reaching our intake. As stated by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health — "The disposal of treated sewage into a public water supply is not good sanitary engineering practice and should be avoided wherever possible."

It is our belief that this could be avoided by locating the school in an area where the soil is suitable for subsurface disposal of sewage. We therefore urge the School Housing Committee to reconsider its proposal of constructing the school on the watershed of the Sudbury Reservoir or additional land south of the present location should be acquired for filter beds so the sewage drainage will not flow into the water supply of the Town of Southborough.

Respectfully,

HOWARD P. NORCROSS,
C. ED. BAKER,
WALTER NORTON,
Board of Water Commissioners.

Copies to —

Board of Health — Town of Southborough
Board of Selectmen — Town of Southborough
School Committee — Town of Southborough
Town Counsel — Town of Southborough
Massachusetts Department of Public Health
Metropolitan District Commission

To the Board of Water Commissioners.
Town of Southborough, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen: —

I herewith submit the twenty-third Annual Report of the Southborough Water Department for the year ending December 31, 1952.

Consumption of Water	Total amount pumped	Daily Average
January	6,761,000 gallons	218,091 gallons
February	6,526,000	225,034
March	5,620,000	181,290
April	7,295,000	243,166
May	7,635,000	246,290
June	6,457,000	215,233
July	9,615,000	300,161
August	7,462,000	240,709
September	7,215,000	240,500
October	6,255,000	201,774
November	5,540,000	184,666
December	6,450,000	208,096

Total number of gallons pumped for the year was 82,831,000.
The daily average was 226,932 gallons.

This is a total of 4,747,000 gallons less than last year.

Two leaks were repaired. One on Mt. Vickory Road and one on Break Neck Hill Road.

Services.

There was a total of twenty-four services installed during the year as follows:

	Town Property	Private Property
John Bartolini — Oak Hill Road	40 feet	35 feet
T & P Construction Co. — Mitchell Street	34 feet	37 feet
T & P Construction Co. — John Street	24 feet	42 feet
Lewis Martino — Turnpike Road	10 feet	72 feet
George Knight — Atwood Street	22 feet	138 feet
Robert Herb — Atwood Street	28 feet	122 feet

James Williams — Atwood Street	31 feet	63 feet
Orman Sandborn — Parkerville Road	29 feet	70 feet
Gardner Boutilier — Southville Road	29 feet	15 feet
Paul McCarthy — White Bagley Road	27 feet	40 feet
Alexander Mennenio — Oak Hill Road	57 feet	52 feet
Joseph Trioli — Brook Street	41 feet	24 feet
Robert Wilbur — Oak Hill Road	59 feet	52 feet
Charles Mauro — Turnpike Road	45 feet	100 feet
Forest Bussell — Parkerville Road	27 feet	50 feet
John Boland — East Main Street	25 feet	52 feet
Joseph Trioli — Brook Street	41 feet	24 feet
David Thoit — Southville Road	22 feet	30 feet
Walter Brewer — Willow Street	90 feet	250 feet
John Baveri — Valley Road	23 feet	77 feet

Services renewed during year.

Alice Woodward — Oak Hill Road	12 feet	40 feet
Ruth Sawin — Oak Hill Road	35 feet	28 feet
Annie Young — Oak Hill Road	37 feet	22 feet
Joseph Fantony — Turnpike Road	Not renewed	35 feet

Total number of feet on Town Property — 792

Total number of feet on Private Property — 1470

Number of water services now in use 636

Extensions.

The Willow Street and Valley Road Extension has been completed except for oiling of the trench line, 900 feet having been installed this year.

The View Hill Road (Bartolini Extension) has been completed except for patching Break Neck Hill Road.

The Water Extension on Walnut Drive has been completed except for oiling street.

Bills have not been received from Highway Dep't, for oiling and patching on the above extensions.

The Water Extension on Parkerville Road, Article 46, Town Meeting March 10th, 1952 has not been started, as the sponsor of this article has not signed the Water Main Extension Agreement.

The following extensions have been completed and balances may be returned to the E. and D. Account

	Appropri- ation	Amount Spent	Bal. to be ret'd to E. & D.
Brook Street (Jos. Trioli)	\$1,925.00	\$1,558.80	\$366.20
Cross Street	2,477.55	2,404.10	73.45
Main Street	3,187.00	3,145.15	41.85
Maple Street	2,210.00	1,811.59	398.41

Hydrants.

Two hydrants have been installed, making a total of 150 now in use.

New Truck.

A total of ten proposals for furnishing a $\frac{3}{4}$ ton truck to the Water Department were received, and after careful consideration the Cab and Chassis was awarded to the lowest bidder, School Street Motors. The Utility body was awarded to the Farrar Company of Woodville, Massachusetts.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS BOLAND,
Superintendent of Water Dep't.

INCOME

Water Rates

Date of Warrant	— April 1, 1952	\$6,573.25
" " "	— July 2, 1952	7,127.84
" " "	— October 1, 1952	8,047.03
" " "	— January 2, 1952	6,920.31

Total income from Water Rates	<u>\$28,668.43</u>
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SERVICES

Miscellaneous	\$34.00
Services	1,232.77
Total on Services	<u>\$1,266.77</u>
Total of Income	<u>\$29,935.20</u>

ABATEMENTS

Rates	\$79.14
Hydrant Rental	125.00
Services (not installed)	101.95
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Total of abatements	\$306.09
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Net Income	\$29,629.11
Operating Cost	16,376.07
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Surplus above operating costs	\$13,253.04

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE AND BUREAU OF OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,
Town of Southborough, Massachusetts.

The Board of Public Welfare and the Bureau of Old Age Assistance submits the following report of its work for the year ending on December 31, 1952.

General Relief

Twenty-three persons were aided during 1952, all of whom received assistance for short periods only. There was one new application and five reopened cases.

Aid to Dependent Children

During the year 1952, aid was rendered to nine persons. The Town of Southborough receives partial reimbursement from the Federal and State Governments for payments made to these persons.

Disability Assistance

We have received two applications for this new category of assistance from which one was rejected because of ineligibility. Both State and Federal Governments participate in reimbursement to the Town for aid rendered.

Old Age Assistance

Fifty-six persons were assisted during the year 1952. Partial reimbursement is received from the State and Federal Governments for all persons in receipt of Old Age Assistance.

Of the 56 persons aided, six were from other towns for whom Southborough is fully reimbursed; for seven others, who are unsettled the State assumes financial responsibility. Eight former Southborough residents were aided in other communities and the proportionate share of their support is charged to this town.

There were eight new applications for Old Age Assistance of which six were approved and two rejected because of ineligibility. Eight accounts were closed due to increased resources, removal to other towns or death.

There were fourteen liens placed on properties owned by recipients of Old Age Assistance in accordance with Chapter 801 of the Acts of 1951.

The Board of Public Welfare was unfortunate in losing a long-time member this year by the death of Mr. James E. O'Leary, a respected citizen who has served the Town over the years in many offices of trust and responsibility. We deeply regret his passing.

The vacancy was filled by the appointment of Mr. Edw. W. Borst of Fayville.

The financial statement of this Department will be found in the report of the Advisory Board.

Respectfully submitted,

ANNETTE H. DEER, Chairman
RUTH W. HARRINGTON,
EDW. W. BORST,

JENNIE M. SMITH, Welfare Agent.

REPORT OF THE FIRE CHIEF

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:
Gentlemen:

During the year the department answered 91 calls as follows:

Brush	51
Building	12
False	2

Still	1
Drownings	1
Needless	1
Oil Burners	6
Out of Town	4
Trucks	2
Autos	3
Auto Accidents	3
Gas Stove Explosions	3
Chimneys	2

Monthly meetings have been held regularly and Fire Drills were held throughout the spring, summer and fall. All apparatus and hose equipment are in good condition.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN W. BOLAND,
Fire Chief.

REPORT OF THE FOREST WARDEN

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

During the year the department answered 51 calls for grass and brush fires, burning over an area of 30 acres. Most of these were back yard fires caused by poor incinerators or none at all. I wish to call attention to the fact that burning without an incinerator, or a poor one, carries the same penalty as burning without a permit.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN W. BOLAND,
Forest Warden.

REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
Town of Southborough, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my annual report for the year 1952.

The shortage of labor is an increasingly serious problem in carrying on our maintenance work.

It is difficult for the Highway Department to work satisfactorily in a storm, due to old equipment.

I wish to thank the Highway Men for their co-operation under such difficult conditions.

The needed drainage on Deerfoot Road, Framingham Road, Main Street and Mitchell Street was taken care of.

Chapter 90 Construction was not completed because of the shortage of labor, also due to lateness in season when the work got under way.

All work on Chapter 81 was completed.

Respectfully submitted,

GORDON JOHNSON,
Superintendent of Streets.

REPORT OF POLICE DEPARTMENT

Jan. 1 to July 30, 1952

Board of Selectmen
Town of Southborough

		Males	Females
Arrests	9	7	2
Other Investigations	27		
Summons served	10		
Breaking and Entering	2		
Doors found open in public places	4		
Accidental drowning case Feb. 1st	1		
Cars checked for traffic violations	81		

Type of crime arrests	Males	Females
Drunks	6	2
Driving Motor Vehicle while under influence of Liquor	1	
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Respectfully submitted,

HOWARD E. GOFF,
Chief of Police.

Term ending July 30, 1952.

POLICE

Howard E. Goff, Chief — April 11, 1952 - July 30, 1952
Frederick J. Sanchioni, Chief

REGULAR POLICE

Philip G. Mauch (Resigned)	George A. Mooney (Resigned)
Howard S. Hunt	Henry D. Pietrasiak (Resigned)
Francis R. Pessini (Resigned)	
Charles F. Hamel	Thomas Young
Edward F. Brock	Francis E. Ramelli
William G. La Count	Howard E. Tewksbury
Allison R. Booth	Frank J. Mattioli

Ellis Reck

SPECIAL POLICE

Thomas A. McCarthy	John Constantino
Reginald C. Perham	Edward W. Campbell
Everett W. May	

CONSTABLES

Frédéric J. Sanchioni	Herbert E. Banfill
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FIRE POLICE OFFICER

John V. Finn

PUBLIC WEIGHERS AND WEIGHERS OF COAL

Joseph Mauro	Thomas F. Fitzgerald
James Falconi	Allison R. Booth
John Falconi	Ferdinand E. Bagley

Hamilton Armstrong

FENCE VIEWERS

John F. Sullivan

Robert Nelson

Gerald Peck

FIELD DRIVERS

William H. Onthank

Thomas Young

Fernando A. Baldelli

FAYVILLE HALL COMMITTEE

Charles H. Nichols

Louis J. Baldelli

Paul M. Menard

POUND KEEPER

Joseph Mauro

DEPUTY POUND KEEPERS

Dean M. Lewis

Forrest Buzzell (Resigned)

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,
Town of Southborough, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

The following is a report of the Police Department from
July 30, to December 31, 1952.

Arrests	Males	Females
3 Fatal Accidents investigated	3	
1 Vagrancy	1	
Arrests	26	0
Accidents investigated	38	
Other investigations	63	
Breaking and entering	1	
Stolen cars recovered	5	
Doors found open in Public Places	6	
Summons served	43	
Cruiser Ambulance trips to Framingham		
Hospital	3	
Cruiser Ambulance Trips to Marlboro Hospital	1	
Cars checked for traffic violations	295	
Cars stopped for faulty equipment	306	

TYPE OF CRIME

Driving Motor Vehicle to endanger life	6
Driving Motor Vehicle under influence of liquor	7
Assault and Battery	1
Drunks	4
Speeding Autos	3

For Newton Police	1	
Using Car without authority	4	
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Total	26	0

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK J. SANCHIONI,
Chief of Police.

VETERANS' SERVICES DEPARTMENT

December 31, 1952.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,
Town of Southborough, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit the following report of my activities from
April 9, 1952 to December 31, 1952:

Hospitalization Cases Arranged	4
Rest Home Cases Arranged	1
Chapter 115 Applications Received	1
Chapter 115 Applications Approved	1

I also gave advice and counsel to veterans and dependents
in reference to home loans, G. I. Training, medical and dental
aid, business loans, and out-patient service at Cushing General
Hospital.

The World War I and World War II Honor Rolls were painted
during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD L. BROCK,
Veterans' Agent.

REPORT OF OFFICE OF CIVIL DEFENSE

To the Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my report on Civil Defense activities in the
Town of Southborough for the year 1952.

A Defense Program has slowly progressed, Booklets have been handed the Clergy, pointing out some of their possible duties. Division heads have been chosen and figurative plans formulated relative to the requirements of the townspeople should emergency arise, especially towards the possibility of Southborough being used as an emergency refugee area.

Mrs. Ingalls has continued her much appreciated services as head of the communications division, Mrs. Deer heads War Relief, Mr. W. W. Barber heads Emergency Mass Feeding, all of whom have necessary plans drafted in the event of need. Doctor and Mrs. Stone who head the Medical division are formulating plans and arranging Medical Teams which will be available to be sent to nearby disaster areas upon request.

With Red Cross assistance, approximately 20 ladies from all sections of the town, have completed a Mass Feeding Course under the tutelage of Mrs. Hill, Chief Dietitian at St. Mark's School. These ladies have been assigned and will supervise at the various kitchens in the town, should refugees be housed here.

On November 15th, with State Civil Defense assistance, a free Blood Typing program was carried out. Very valuable assistance was given by the women in the communications division. It was mainly through them that every person in the town was aware of this program.

I hereby wish to thank the various division heads, Mrs. Hill, the Nurses, Typists, Girl Scouts and all of the women in the communications division for the interest they have taken and the assistance they have rendered throughout the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

BURTON R. DERBY.
Director.

REPORT OF THE TOWN MODERATOR

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit the report of the Town Moderator for the year 1952. The following were appointed to the various committees:

Advisory Committee

J. Franklin Millea
Charles F. McNeil

Truck and Sander Committee

James Daughan
Charles Barton
Ernest Kallander

My sincere thanks to the good people of Southborough for my lessons in parliamentary procedure.

Respectfully submitted.

EARL M. STRINGER,
Moderator.

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

January 22, 1953.

The Honorable Board of Selectmen,
Southborough, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

During the year the Board issued the following permits.

A—Opening of a sand and gravel pit	1 Permit
B—Stripping of loam	1 Permit

We accepted, with regret, the resignation of Everett I. Flanders and submitted for approval the name of Hugh J. Heckle to fill the unexpired term.

Respectfully submitted.

HOMER L. BATES,
CUSHMAN P. BEAN,
CHARLES E. THOMAS,
JAMES J. TRIOLI,
Planning Board.

REPORT OF THE RECREATION COMMITTEE

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,
Town of Southborough, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

During the year 1952, the Contractor, under the supervision of E. Warren Ward, Engineer, has completed the work at the Fayville Playground. The Playground will be open for recreation facilities for the Citizens of Southborough this Spring. We, the Committee, are of the opinion that the funds available to date, have been well spent.

However, to make this area into an up-to-date baseball field, with a diamond, etc., will require a considerable outlay of money. The Committee is hesitant to ask for an appropriation this year, due to our impending high tax rate. However, if the Citizens of Southborough are desirous of having a worthwhile Playground in Fayville, we would recommend that a Committee be appointed to study, get specifications, and cost, to complete the project, and report at our regular Town Meeting in March of 1954.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN HILL,
JOSEPH MAZZADRO,
JAMES A. HIGGISTON,
Recreation Committee.

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,
Town of Southborough, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my annual report for the year ending December 31, 1952.

Number of hogs slaughtered and inspected	44
Number of steers and heifers slaughtered and inspected	5
Number of lambs slaughtered and inspected	4
Number of calves slaughtered and inspected	3

Respectfully submitted,

SERINO W. JOHNSON,
Inspector of Slaughtering.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

Southborough, Mass.

January 10, 1953.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,
Town of Southborough, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

The Board of Health submits herewith a report of its work in 1952.

A meeting has been held each month throughout the year with all members of the Board present.

The Well Child Conference was held in the Spring. A total of 102 children were examined and 22 children were vaccinated. Miss Mary Deviney, Nutritionist from the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, advised the mothers regarding the childrens' diet. The Board wishes to express its thanks to Mrs. Edwin Borst for serving the lunches during the conference and also for the use of her home. The Board also wishes to thank Mrs. Edward Kehew, Mrs. Mary Baker, Mrs. Edward Phair, Mrs. Robinson Brown and Mrs. George McCulley for being hostess at the conferences.

The next Well Child Conference will be held in the Spring of 1953 and all children from 6 months to 6 years of age are invited.

A restaurant inspection was made during the Summer and late Fall.

The Spring and Fall rubbish collections were very well handled by our Highway Department.

There is one patient from Southborough being hospitalized at the Worcester County Sanatorium.

The Southborough Dump on School Street is becoming filled and the Board is endeavoring to find a new location.

Communicable diseases reported in 1952:

Dog bite	6	Whooping Cough	3
Tuberculosis	1	German Measles	81
Mumps	27	Scarlet Fever	5

Licenses issued in 1952:

Ice Cream Manufacturer	1
Store sale of Milk and Cream	2
Store sale of Oleomargarine	1
Vehicular Sale of Milk and Cream	7
Garbage and Offal removal	0
Pasteurization	1
Nursery	1
Anti-freeze	5

Respectfully submitted,

SOPHIA M. COLEMAN, R. N.

REPORT OF THE CEMETERY COMMISSION

January 15, 1953.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,
Town of Southborough, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

The Board of Cemetery Commissioners submit their annual report for the year ending December 31, 1952. Southborough Cemeteries were cared for in the usual manner during the year. Mechanization of the cemetery continues as rapidly as finances permit.

The reports of Receipts and Expenditures should be found in the reports of the Town Accountant.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES E. CORBETT,
EDWARD C. RAMSDELL, Chairman,
JOHN J. O'REILLY, Secretary.

REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

1952

January 11, 1953.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,
Town of Southborough, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my annual report for the year ending
December 31, 1952.

Inventory of State Standards:

- One Office Balance
- One Brass Yard Measure
- One Set Standard Weights
- One Set Dry Measures
- One Set Liquid Measures

Inventory of Working Equipment:

- One Sealer's Portable Weights
- One Set Brass Weights
- One Set Dry Measures
- One Set Liquid Measures
- One Drill
- Two Seals
- Two Glass Graduates
- One Kit of Small Tools

Work Completed in 1952:

- Weighing devices tested — 76
- Gasoline Pumps tested — 31
- Oil Truck meters — 2
- Oil Grease pumps — 24
- Liquid Measure 1 gallon or under — 19
- Milk Vat — 1
- Sealing Fees Collected — \$85.45
- Fees turned over to Treasurer — \$85.45

Respectfully submitted,

C. A. TORCOLETTI,
Sealer of Weights and Measures.

REPORT OF THE MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,
Town of Southborough, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my annual report for the year ending December 31, 1952.

The elm leaf beetle continues to be our No. 1 pest, as far as our elm trees are concerned.

In spite of several sprayings with our regular D.D.T. solution, some of the elms were badly eaten.

It is my opinion that unless a fuel oil base is added to this solution, the results are not satisfactory.

The removal of dead and diseased elms is progressing. Twenty-six elms were cut and burned last year.

There are many more to be removed before Spring. The Highway Department has given valuable assistance in the removal of these trees.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank the Board of Selectmen and all the members of the Highway Department for their co-operation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM H. ONTHANK,
Moth Superintendent.

REPORT OF THE ANIMAL INSPECTOR

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,
Town of Southborough, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my annual report for the year ending December 31, 1952.

Number of Stables inspected	37
Number of Milch cows and heifers (2 years and over)	753
Number of heifers (1-2 years of age)	71

Number of heifers calves	52
Number of bulls	28
Number of Steers and Oxen	31
Number of horses	14
Number of goats	43
Number of sheep	37
Total number of animals	1,029
"Out of State" cattle shipped in	89
Cattle reacting to tuberculin test	0
Persons bitten by dogs	8
Cases of rabies	0

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM H. ONTHANK,
Inspector of Animals.

REPORT OF THE TREE WARDEN

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,
Town of Southborough, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my annual report for the year ending December 31, 1952.

The removal of dead limbs and diseased trees is still the major problem of your Tree Warden.

There is still a great deal of work to be done along this line that requires the services of high tree climbers, which must be hired from some outside source.

High tree climbing is a specialized job and requires the services of experienced men who are not only expensive to hire, but also difficult to find.

Your Warden has tried to spread this work over a period of years, in order to keep the appropriation within reasonable bounds.

I do not think that the Town should be required to remove live healthy trees unless it is a matter of public safety.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM H. ONTHANK,
Tree Warden.

REPORT OF LIBRARIAN OF FAY LIBRARY

1952

25,730	Volumes in Library
352	Volumes purchased
248	Gifts
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28,107	Total Circulation
22,268	Southboro's circulation (Main Library)
17,168	Total Adult circulation
5,100	Total Juvenile circulation
14,522	Adult Fiction
4,129	Juvenile Fiction
1,359	Adult Non-Fiction
767	Juvenile Non-Fiction
1,078	Adult Magazines
204	Juvenile Magazines
4,089	Adult Attendance
4,429	Juvenile Attendance
2,364	Largest Month (January)
161	Largest Day (February 2)
1,543	Smallest Month (July)
1	Smallest Day (April 25)
\$19.00	Fines

Fayville Branch

South Union School Library

3,078	Total Circulation	2,761
1,621	Adult Fiction	1,202
379	Juvenile Fiction	310
399	Magazine circulation	298
679	Total attendance	867
	Non-Fiction circulation	84

The Trustees and the Librarian regret the resignation of Father William Smith as Trustee because of ill health. Ninety books given in remembrance of E. Chester Wells, and a book case in memory of Clarence Barrows are gratefully acknowledged.

SARAH V. STIVERS,
Librarian.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

1952

After the March Election, the Board organized as follows:—
Mr. John Hill, Chairman, Mr. Arthur Perham, Mr. Arthur Hosmer, and Miss Mary Firmin, Clerk.

Twenty-four regular meetings were held, as well as seventeen special meetings. Numerous investigations of the Town Drainage System and Highway were made, and licensed places of business visited.

The amount of business that is directed to this Board is definitely increasing. There seems to be a growing desire on the part of the townspeople for more and better services. Thirteen (13) street lights were installed during the past year. For your information, one (1) street lights costs Eighteen (\$18.00) per year. We are now paying for:—

312 — 1000 lumen lamps @	\$18.00 per year
2 — 2500 lumen lamps @	28.00 per year
3 — 6000 lumen lamps @	65.00 per year

but we feel that good street lighting in our town is an added safety measure for the Citizens.

Bids were sent out for the purchase of a Police cruiser. Newton Street Garage was awarded bid, said garage being lowest bidder. Bids were also sent out for the two-way radio, but none were received. The contract went to Farrar & Co., of Woodville, who has given us fast service and excellent maintenance.

Under Chapter 90 Construction, another section of Southville Road was practically completed and another section is planned for 1953. There is an article in the Town Warrant for that purpose.

The Highway Department is desperately in need of a four-wheel-drive truck. Three (3) special town meetings were called, mainly for action by the Voters, but on all three occasions, there were not voters enough to constitute a quorum. Consequently, the Highway Department is operating without adequate equipment. The Board is inserting an article in the Warrant of the regular Town Meeting, to be held in March, and we ask you to give this your favorable consideration.

Chapters 81 and 90 Maintenance work was carried out in the

usual manner, under the direction of the State Engineers and the Superintendent of Streets.

The following licenses were granted during 1952.

Common Victualers	11
Junk Collectors	4
Agent or Seller's License (Class I)	5
Used Car Dealer's License (Class II)	1
Wines and Malt Beverages (One Day)	3
Wines and Malt Beverages (Package Store)	3
Wines and Malt Beverages (Eating Establishments)	2
Wines and Malt Beverages (Eating Establishments)	2
All Alcoholic Beverages (Eating Establishments)	2
All Alcoholic Beverages (Retail Package Store)	2
License to Slaughter	2
Fire Arms	2
Sunday Entertainment on the Lord's Day License	1
Total	41

Playground activities under the direction of the Parent Teachers' Association and the supervision of the Board of Selectmen, were carried out successfully in all parts of the Town.

The Fay School swimming pool was used by the Town again this year, and we take this opportunity to thank Mr. Harrison L. Reinke, Headmaster of Fay School, for his co-operation.

On behalf of the Town we extend our appreciation to the Mayor and Police of Marlboro, in giving us permission to hook up with their two-way radio system at a very small yearly fee. The two-way radio system has proved to be of great value to our Police in carrying out their nightly patrol.

We wish to thank all Boards and Departments for their co-operation during the year, also the interest shown by the Advisory Board in various Town problems, their efforts to keep the taxes at a minimum, consistent with good government, is to be commended.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN HILL, Chairman,
ARTHUR PERHAM,
ARTHUR HOSMER,

Board of Selectmen.

TOWN COUNSEL'S REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

While it has not been customary for Town Counsel to make an annual report, several unusual situations which arose in 1952 would seem to make it advisable to inform the citizens as to several matters; hence, this report.

Chapter 127 of the Acts of 1952 (Department of Public Works)

In 1951, at the request of the Selectmen, a petition for legislation authorizing the Town of Southborough to establish a Department of Public Works was filed in the General Court. The town counsel prepared such a bill, and the statute granting such authority. The bill was passed by the Legislature and became Chapter 127 of the Acts of 1952, effective ninety days after its passage in January.

Chapter 415 of the Acts of 1952 (Water from the Sudbury Reservoir)

In the late 1890's, when the City of Boston took a large portion of the town's land to establish what is now the Sudbury Reservoir, it was agreed between the Town and the City of Boston that the Town might take from the reservoir without cost, a total of 200,000 gallons of water daily. Until the establishment of our water system in 1930, the town derived no benefit from this agreement. Since then the reservoir has been the only source of supply and until recent years, the town never used more than 200,000 gallons a day. Consequently, there was no charge for water consumed. Since 1950, the daily average consumption has been considerably more than 200,000 gallons and the Metropolitan District Commission billed the town for the excess.

In late 1951, Town Counsel prepared and filed a bill which would authorize the town to take 400,000 gallons of water daily without charge. After considerable effort, and numerous hearings before the Legislative Committees on Metropolitan Affairs and Metropolitan Water Supply, the Legislature enacted the bill as Chapter 415 of the Acts of 1952. The law became effective in April.

As a result of this Act the town may now take, without

charge, a total of 400,000 gallons of water a day from the Sudbury Reservoir. This amounts to 146,000,000 gallons a year, which, if billed at \$32.00 a million gallons, would cost \$4,672.00 a year. It is very likely that the rate will be increased, since the water is now being sold below cost.

At the same time another bill was filed authorizing the town to take without charge a like amount of water from the high pressure tunnel which was constructed in 1939. The Legislature felt that because the town was not taking, and was not equipped to take water from the high pressure tunnel, this bill should be rejected until such time as the need to connect with the tunnel arose, at which time another bill could be filed.

New School

After a series of meetings in which the town rejected several plans recommended as suitable school housing facilities, the special meeting of April 7th voted to appropriate, and to raise by borrowing, the sum of \$500,000 to build a school in accordance with a plan submitted by the School Housing Committee. At that meeting it was voted to reject two alternative proposals and plans, one of which would cost \$400,000 and the other, \$450,000.

To meet the requirements of Chapter 44, Section 7 of the General Laws (that money borrowed to build a new school must be supplemented by an appropriation from "revenue funds" of a sum of money equivalent to twenty-five cents on each thousand dollars of assessed valuation) it was voted to transfer from the Post War Rehabilitation Fund, the sum of \$17,000 which was appropriated to purchase a site east of Cordaville Road.

After that meeting, the Division of Accounts of the Department of Corporations and Taxation took the view that the Post War Rehabilitation Fund was not "revenue funds." Consequently, they said, the requirements of Chapter 44 had not been met. To cure this supposed defect in the vote, an article was inserted in the warrant for the special town meeting held on May 26th, to appropriate and to transfer from Excess and Deficiency account, the sum of \$1,000 to be added to, and to supplement the \$500,000 previously voted to be appropriated and borrowed. This action satisfied the Director of Accounts.

On May 26th, on petition of a large number of citizens, a special town meeting was called, under two articles of which the town was to determine (1) whether or not the vote of April 7th appropriating a half million dollars would be amended by

reducing the amount to \$420,000 and (2) whether or not the vote to acquire a site on Cordaville Road would be amended by changing the site to Main Street.

Several weeks before that meeting, Town Counsel informed the Selectmen, the School Housing Committee, the Advisory Committee, and the group of citizens who petitioned for the special town meeting of May 26th, that the provisions of Article 2, Section 16 of the Town By-Laws (which provided that town meetings should be governed by "Robert's Rules of Parliamentary Practise") and Article 2, Section 13 (which provided that no action taken at any town meeting could be reconsidered except by two-thirds vote) were in direct conflict and that any vote taken under the articles to reconsider or amend would raise legal questions which could not be determined except by decision of the Supreme Court.

In an effort to eliminate the serious legal questions which appeared to be inevitable, Town Counsel prepared and inserted in the warrant of the special town meeting of May 26th, Article 1 which, if acted upon favorably, would have repealed from the By-Laws Section 16 of Article 2 referring to "Robert's Rules." Despite his complete explanation of the reasons for the article, the meeting voted 187 to 165 to retain Robert's Rules. Such action resulted in the legal complications which have bedeviled the new school ever since.

When the motion to amend the votes of April 7th came before the meeting, Town Counsel, who was then acting as temporary moderator, ruled that the motion to amend, not having attained a two-thirds majority, was lost.

The meeting then adjourned to June 3rd and in the interim, the Director of Accounts gave a written opinion that the ruling of the moderator was incorrect since only a majority vote was required to amend. Your town counsel reiterated, however, that the motion required a two-thirds vote for passage. (Town Counsel has been informed recently by a reliable source, that the Director of Accounts now agrees that a two-thirds vote was required to amend).

At the adjourned meeting of June 3rd, a vote was taken on the article to amend by changing the site of the proposed school to Main Street. This motion received a majority, but not a two-thirds vote, and your elected moderator ruled the motion lost.

Thereafter, one of the spokesmen for the citizens who sought

to reduce the amount to be spent for the school and to change the site, made a motion to reconsider the action taken on those two articles and stated that if the matters were reconsidered, he would then make a motion to dismiss them, thus leaving the votes of April 7th exactly where they were before the meeting of May 26th and June 3rd. As a result of these motions, the action was reconsidered and the articles dismissed from the warrant.

In the opinion of the Town Counsel, dismissal of the articles to amend eliminated any possible question as to the correctness of his ruling that a two-thirds vote was required to amend the votes taken at the meeting of April 7th, and that matters then stood as though no meeting had ever been held on May 26th and June 3rd.

Town officers then applied to the First National Bank of Boston for a loan of \$500,000 and on June 20th, the town treasurer was notified that the bank's attorneys had approved the legality of the proceedings and had approved the loan. They stated, however, that there was some doubt as to whether or not the town could acquire Choate Memorial Field as part of the site. It was their opinion that eminent domain proceedings should be commenced to determine this issue.

The question was discussed between Town Counsel and the bank's attorneys and it was pointed out that there was no money available to take Choate Memorial Field by eminent domain, that there was no intention to take it by eminent domain, that an agreement between the trustees of Choate Memorial Field and the town was being worked out, that no part of Choate Memorial Field was to be used for the school, and that it was not absolutely necessary to acquire title to it as a part of the school project. The attorneys then advised Town Counsel that the loan was approved and the School Housing Committee was so advised. Shortly thereafter, they engaged the services of an architect to prepare the specifications and plans.

A short time later, the bank advised Town Counsel that its attorneys would not approve the loan because the moderator had been incorrect in his ruling that a two-thirds vote to amend had been required. Consequently, the vote to amend had been carried and they could not approve a loan of more than \$420,000. Conferences between Town Counsel and the bank attorneys developed the fact that the latter were not familiar with the town by-laws and after studying them, agreed that

a two-thirds vote was required and that they would approve the loan in full.

Several weeks later the bank informed Town Counsel that its attorneys would not approve the loan because they had considered the matter further and could not be sure whether the vote to amend required a two-thirds or majority vote. Town Counsel conferred further with the bank's attorneys and advised them of the motions to reconsider and to dismiss the articles which sought to amend the votes of April 7th. The bank attorneys were not aware of these votes and advised the Town Counsel that if he had correctly stated the substance of those votes, they would approve the loan upon the receipt of certified copies of the minutes of the town meeting showing that such votes had been taken. Upon receipt of the records, they approved the loan once again, although they would not do so until it was explained why only 20 persons had voted on the motion to reconsider. Several weeks later, on October 3rd, the bank attorneys notified Town Counsel they would not approve the loan because the vote to dismiss the articles which would have amended the votes of the meeting of April 7th would have the effect of reinstating the original vote to borrow \$500,000 and this could only be done by a two-thirds vote. They remained obdurate in this view.

At this point, Town Counsel requested the bank to submit the matter to other lawyers and this was done. On October 27th it was their written opinion that "while we are inclined toward the opinion that the vote adopted at the meeting held on April 7, 1952 was not affected by the proceedings which took place at the meeting held on May 26, 1952, we are not sure that, if litigated, the court could not reasonably adopt a different view." They concluded by saying that they could find no case which governed and consequently would not be warranted in giving their approving opinion.

Numerous authorities on municipal law, including both firms of lawyers who represented the First National Bank of Boston, share the opinion of Town Counsel that proceedings of the several town meetings were proper; that in order to amend action taken at a previous town meeting, a two-thirds vote was required and that there would be no legal defect in bonds issued under the vote of April 7th to appropriate and borrow \$500,000.

While it is very likely that the Supreme Court would uphold the validity of the bonds, it cannot be denied that at least two legal questions involved have never before arisen. Consequent-

ly, there can be no **absolute certainty** that the Supreme Court would decide them in accordance with the views entertained by anyone.

The anomalous situation created as a result of the Town's refusal to eliminate Robert's Rules from the By-Laws, was given a great deal of thought.

Any one of several courses could have been followed to correct the possible defects in the proceedings.

- (1) A special town meeting could have been called to determine whether the town would vote to, —
 - (a) Ratify and confirm the action taken at the meeting of April 7th, notwithstanding any other action taken at the meeting of May 6th and June 3rd; or
 - (b) Reconsider the whole matter and start anew; or
- (2) Suit could be brought to have a judicial determination of the several heretofore undecided questions; or
- (3) A petition could be filed in the legislature for a special act validating the action of the town at the meeting of April 7th, notwithstanding any action taken at the meeting of May 26th and June 3rd.

The first method was discarded because it would probably result in even more serious legal complications.

The second method, even if the vote was unanimous, would result in court action.

The third method appeared to be the best but the high cost and prolonged delay seemed to make such a course of action inadvisable, except as a last resort.

The fourth method was decided upon, — first, because there would be very little delay; second, because the cost would be relatively small; third, because the result would be certain; and fourth, because it was inconceivable that there would be any opposition to enactment of such legislation.

Such a bill was filed (House Bill 570) and at a hearing held on January 13, 1953 before the joint committee on towns, it became apparent the bill would not be enacted without considerable opposition from local quarters. At that hearing, it was pointed out to the Committee that legislative action on the bill was the most satisfactory method of untangling the legal snarl brought about by the town meeting of May 26th and June 3rd.

The committee requested certified copies of the records of the meeting of May 26th and June 3rd and withheld any report on the bill until after a further hearing. Certified copies were furnished as requested and were supplemented by photostatic copies of the records of the town meeting on April 7th.

At a later hearing held on January 27th, further details of the various votes, approvals and disapprovals of the bonds and other matters relating to the school loan were given to the committee which was reluctant to take any immediate action unless the town voted to request them to do so. At the conclusion of the hearing, it was agreed that the bill would be held in committee and that in the meantime, the matter should be placed before the town for an expression by vote as to whether or not the town wanted the bill enacted. It was further agreed by the committee that upon receipt by it of a certified copy of a vote requesting passage of the bill, immediate action would be taken to that end. Otherwise, the committee will report the bill unfavorably and the matter will stand exactly as it would if it had never been presented to the legislature.

Town Counsel understands that steps are being taken by town officers to have such an expression.

Respectfully submitted,

ALFRED W. HOWES,
Town Counsel.

February 2, 1953.

REPORT OF THE REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Your committee has had regular meetings with the towns of Hopkinton and Upton for the purpose of forming a Regional School District. Until our meetings were temporarily suspended due to one of the towns not having a legal committee, (this is being corrected at their next town meeting) the following items were discussed and mutually agreed upon:

1. That the proposed school would consist of a four year High School. (The projected enrollment in 1960 would be 800 students).
2. The location of such a school would be as near the geographical and population center of the district as possible (Hopkinton).
3. That the cost of a school based on estimates provided by the State School Building Commission would be approximately \$2,000 dollars per student (\$1,600,000.00).
4. That under the State Aid program, the participating towns would be obligated for 39.7% of the total costs (\$640,000 approximately).
5. That the cost of construction and maintenance be borne by the towns on a per student basis. (Southboro — about 25% of the above for construction or \$460,000).
6. That in addition to the State Aid mentioned above, the State would also pay all the architects' fees, planning fees, expenses of the committees in organizing, all transportation of students attending the District school, providing the buses were operated by the Regional School District and increased aid under Chapter 71.
7. That the course of studies to be taught would be similar to that being proposed by the Wachusett District and other proposed Regional Schools.

None of the above has of course been voted upon and can not be until we actually form our district.

Recently the towns of Holliston and Ashland for the third time voted down the regional plan, or rather Ashland did, which promptly resulted in renewed interest in the regional idea between the towns of Hopkinton and Holliston. We have been informed by the secretary of the Hopkinton Group that it would be a month or more before they come to any kind of

an understanding with Holliston after which, if they do not get together they would again meet with our group. All of which leaves the situation pretty much up in the air. The only other possible angle towards our regionalizing would be with our present Union — Northboro and Berlin — (it is proposed to discuss this at the Union Annual Meeting in February) such a District would be practical for Southboro and Berlin, but inasmuch as Northboro's problems is in the elementary schools, it would no doubt be hard to sell the town on the regional plan. A report on this possibility will be made on the town house floor.

In September 1953 all of the available school space in town (all four schools) will be exhausted. Now we not only have an elementary problem but a High School problem as well. This committee feels that the chance of our forming, much less building on a regional basis is remote indeed for High School housing for 1954. And what is even worse, subjects now taught in our High School will have to be discontinued for lack of space.

In closing — perhaps the solution to our problem is to build a local High School and house the elementary children in the present High School.

DAVID W. ALDRICH,
LOUIE A. HOLSINGTON,
JAMES J. TRIOLI.

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL

THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Mrs. Katherine O. Allen, Chairman	Term expires 1953
Mr. David W. Aldrich	Term expires 1954
Miss Ann L. Corcoran, Secretary	Term expires 1955

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Roger K. Poole, B.S. Ed.M.

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Mrs. Bernice R. Blakeley — School Department Clerk

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FACULTY OF THE SOUTHBORO SCHOOLS

Peters High School

James A. Higgiston, Principal, B.S. (Notre Dame) Ed.M. (Boston University)
 William G. Blount, B.S.E. (Bridgewater) M.A. (Clark) Social Studies
 Paul H. Buckley, B.S. (Mt. St. Mary's University) Sciences
 Frances A. Fales, B.A. (Simpson College) English and Social Studies
 Pauline S. Gast, B.S. (University of Mass.)
 Household Arts and Junior Business Training
 Miss Eva C. Hayward (Burdett College) Commercial
 Mrs. Margaret B. Houston, A.B. (Middlebury College) English and Latin
 Gene F. Insani, (Washington State Normal) B.S.E. (Fitchburg State Teachers' College) Industrial Arts and Mathematics
 Miss Onaita E. MacIntyre, B.A. (Wheaton College) English and French
 Mrs. Dorothy W. Marshall, B.S. (Boston University) Grade 5
 Arnold R. Shaw, A.B. (Clark) Mathematics, Science and Driver Education

Peters High School Annex

Miss Mary E. Finn, Principal (Framingham Normal) Grade 6
 Mrs. Gertrude C. Clement (Framingham Normal) Grade 4
 Mrs. Margaret E. Cronin (Framingham Normal) Grade 3
 Miss Mary C. Hayes (Framingham Normal) Grade 1
 Mrs. Alice L. Woodward (Bradford Academy) Grade 2

South Union School

Mrs. Mary F. Mullen, Principal (Framingham Normal) Grades 5 and 6
 Mrs. Mary S. Aikens, (Framingham Normal) Grades 4 and 5
 Mrs. Virginia A. Charles, B.S. (Framingham State Teachers' College) Grades 2 and 3
 Mrs. Mary C. Dubois, B.S. (Worcester State Teachers' College) Grades 1 and 2

Fayville School

Mrs. Bessie Hersey, Principal (Aroostook Normal) Grade 1, 2 and 3

Special Supervisors, All Schools

Miss Marguerite E. Peaslee (Portland Art School) Art
 Miss Mary E. Keenan, B.S. (Lowell State Teachers' College) Music
 John P. Clark, B.S. (Boston University) Ed.M. (Boston University) Physical Education
 Mrs. Florence R. Kinerson, B.S. (University of Connecticut) Assistant, Physical Education
 William L. Rinehart, A.M. (Harvard University) Handwriting

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Thomas McCarthy, Peters High School and Annex

Howard Hunt, South Union School Telephone Marlboro 886-J
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SCHOOL NURSE

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CENSUS ENUMERATOR

Albert Beaton

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ATTENDANCE OFFICER

Robert H. Johnson

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REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

To the Citizens of Southboro:

The School Committee submits herewith the following report for the year 1952:

At the South Union School a new roof was installed, the building was completely painted inside and out, two floors were sanded and refinished and one room was equipped with movable furniture. The part of the approach to the school adjacent to the steps was black-topped by the Highway Department.

In the Annex the playroom was converted for classroom use and equipped with movable furniture.

The room in the High School, vacated by moving Grade Three to the Annex, was turned over to the high school for an additional seventh grade.

Two new teachers were added to the teaching staff, one as a replacement.

To divide the teaching load as evenly as possible, approximately twenty-five pupils were transported to South Union School. This coming fall it will be necessary to transport even more.

As of September 1953 the last available space in town school buildings will have been used. In this year's budget there is a substantial expenditure caused by the necessity of using the South Union School auditorium for two classrooms. There will definitely be a need for at least two more classrooms in 1954.

We thank our faculty and custodians for their continual loyalty and cooperation.

The attention of the public is directed to the superintendent's report which follows.

Respectfully submitted,

KATHERINE O. ALLEN, Chairman,
DAVID W. ALDRICH,
ANN L. CORCORAN.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Committee and Citizens of Southboro:

Four and one-half years ago the Southboro School Committee started on an ambitious program of reorganization and improvement for the Southboro Public Schools. Public support was high as townspeople felt that the time had come for a vigorous rebuilding of the educational system. The appointment of a new high school principal and superintendent of schools provided impetus and an opportunity for constructive change wherever needed. A comprehensive plan was drawn up which called for steady progress in the three basic aspects of school plant, personnel, and educational program.

A school housing committee was appointed and careful plans developed to provide modern and adequate housing for the school children of Southboro. The School Housing Committee was both painstaking and deliberate in its work. The Harvard Graduate Center for Field Studies was engaged to make a survey of future school housing needs in order that all new construction undertaken might be sound in relation to long range requirements. Citizens were invited to participate in the survey. The conclusions of the Harvard Group may be summed up as calling for the immediate construction of a consolidated elementary school for the middle grades, to be followed by the construction of a new high school, or by participation in a regional high school project, as the town might prefer. A school architect was engaged by the Housing Committee and the plans for an elementary building prepared.

A careful study was made of the curriculum. It was found that a number of curriculum offerings common to good schools

everywhere were not included in the program of the Southboro schools. Physical education and science classes were added in all elementary grades. Course assignments in the high school were reorganized to provide full departmental specialization wherever possible. Courses in driver training and remedial English were among those added to the high school program. A science laboratory was equipped and put in full operation. Plans were made for the development of a modern home-making laboratory and general shop. The textbook equipment of the whole system was replaced with new and up-to-date texts. A comprehensive pattern of student extra-curriculum activities was organized and put into operation at the High School.

Great care was given to the selection of new teachers in order that the faculty might be strengthened collectively by each new appointment. A professional type salary schedule was inaugurated as a means of improving the morale of the teaching force. Salaries were raised progressively in order to keep Southboro in a position to compete successfully for the services of competent new teachers. The faculty as a whole responded well to the general improvement program, all teachers enrolling frequently in university extension courses designed to help them to be more effective in their most important work of teaching our children.

It is only fair to point out that the progress made was based on the assumption that adequate building facilities were shortly to be provided. In many cases, activities have been carried on without the customary equipment and space provisions. While it is possible to carry on a program without facilities for a short time, it is done only at the price of much greater than normal effort. Annoyances and inconveniences were many. A great deal of credit is due to the members of our faculty who have gone all out with this effort for a modernized and improved school system in spite of difficulties.

The Southboro schools have arrived at a crossroads. It would seem that a great deal of the ground already gained will be lost if the community itself is unable or unwilling to unravel the legal entanglement in which the new building project is presently bogged down. The spirit of optimism which has been so noticeably present in our schools is being replaced with discouragement as obstacles continue to block the path of the new building program. Surely the good people of Southboro can, if they wish, insist that nothing shall further hinder the development of a sound up-to-date school system for their children,

complete with adequate building facilities. It is becoming increasingly difficult to obtain or hold able and ambitious teachers on our staff under conditions of elementary overcrowding and nearly total obsolescence of the High School building. An apparent lack of community concern for the proper development of the public schools is a severe handicap in attracting and keeping the kind of teachers which we all want to have working with our children. This is a community problem of the utmost importance.

From this point on, our taxes will inevitably reflect the delay in new construction through expenditures to provide makeshift emergency quarters for the expanding enrollment. All of this might have been avoided by prompt action, and much of it still may be avoided. In the interests of economy as well as consideration for our children, your thoughtful attention and interest to this problem of civic responsibility is needed.

During these years, your School Department has been moving steadily to recondition and renovate the Peters High School Annex and the South Union School. Each year certain improvements have been made in these buildings which have been designated by the Harvard Survey and your School Committee as worth salvaging for continued use. Obsolete furniture is being replaced, two rooms at a time, with modern movable equipment. Floors are being sanded, sealed, waxed and polished as the furniture is replaced. Both buildings have been redecorated inside, and painted and caulked outside. Interior redecoration has been carried out in cheerful and varied bright pastel colors. New modern sanitary toilet facilities have been provided at the South Union School on the first and second floors and a teachers' toilet constructed. A completely new and efficient heating system has been installed at the South Union School as well as a new roof. A beginning has been made on the development of a suitable play area there. A most attractive additional classroom has been developed in the basement of the Annex. If you have not visited these schools since this work has been done, we believe you will be pleased when you see the improvement that your dollars have brought about.

It was necessary, during the current school year, as the enrollment increased, to transport approximately twenty children from Southboro to Cordaville in order to use the present facilities to the maximum extent. Next fall it will be much more difficult to meet the problem presented by the expansion in our student body. It will be necessary to break up the com-

bination assembly hall and gymnasium at the South Union School and, by the erection of a partition and the removal of the stage, to remodel it for use as two additional classrooms. The regulations of the Department of Public Safety will require the construction of additional toilets at heavy expense to accommodate the expanded size of this school. These toilets will have to be located in the basement, which is not a desirable location for toilets, as there is no other space available for them. It appears that approximately seventy-five children from the Southboro and Fayville sections will have to be transported via additional bus routes to this school. If the new school building has not become a reality by a year from next fall, and it takes at least a year to build a school, the Town will be faced with the highly costly expedient of finding quarters outside of school property to provide for the growing school population. In adapting buildings not planned for school use to serve as classrooms, it is mandatory that all state laws and regulations with regard to egress and safety, adequate natural light, positive mechanical ventilation, and toilet facilities, be complied with. Experience in other communities has indicated clearly and repeatedly that these emergency procedures are wasteful and expensive, and that the funds used for these purposes would be much better spent as partial payment for new and suitable school buildings designed to serve the needs of our youth.

May there be a civic awakening, in Southboro, in time. I extend to all those who have helped in the gains already made, and to those who have given so much work and time and interest towards planning a fine new elementary school for Southboro, my deepest personal appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

ROGER K. POOLE,
Superintendent of Schools.

REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL OF PETERS HIGH SCHOOL

Mr. Roger K. Poole
Superintendent of Schools
Southborough, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Poole:

Graduation exercises were held on June 10 for the senior class of 1952. At this time there were twenty graduates; eight

of whom continued their educations at institutions of higher learning, and three others have entered the armed service.

Richard Maley and Ann Aikens were recipients of the local Robinson Memorial scholarship awards of \$250 each. Donald Poole was awarded a four-year scholarship at Tufts on the NROTC program; and John Colleary was the winner of the Southborough Singers' scholarship of \$50 for proficiency in music study.

Mrs. Cameron Bradley has notified me that the Robinson scholarships, amounting to \$500, will be available once again to the 1953 graduates. Seniors who wish to qualify will take the College Entrance Examination Board aptitude tests when administered in March.

Also, I am very pleased to announce that a very substantial class gift was presented to the school by the outgoing class of 1952. It is a Webcor tape recorder, which constitutes a much needed and big addition to our gradually expanding audio-visual education department.

For the first time, I believe, in local history a class of fifty pupils necessitated two classrooms for grade VII instruction. This has enabled us to try out a modified form of the core curriculum methods of presentation. At this particular grade level — where we have the transition from elementary to secondary education — the results have been most encouraging. It is my belief that this record size class has made an excellent adjustment to junior high school life.

For the first time, at-the-wheel instruction was offered as a part of our course in Driver Education. At fitting exercises on April 1, Mr. Alton Spurr, local Chevrolet dealer, presented a 1952 dual controlled Chevrolet Sedan, to be used during April, May, and June. The course was very successful, and we have twenty-one students registered for the spring of 1953.

Our enrollment for September of 1952 was 177 for grades VII through XII. This compares with 163 for September, 1951, and a prospective 196 for September, 1953. In September of this year, we shall have double eighth grades, in addition to double seventh grades.

According to the State Department standards of measurement, the evaluation of a high school is based upon three major fields of criteria. They are: (1) **plant**, (2) **program**, and (3) **personnel**.

Our physical plant leaves much to be desired, and it is with certain hardships and handicaps that our **personnel** endeavor to carry on with the best possible **program** we can make available to the children in the public schools of Southboro.

During the past five years — while planning has been in the formative stages for a new elementary school building — we, at the junior-senior high school level, have been inclined to hold in abeyance our housing needs.

I feel it to be my duty to call to your attention the need for secondary school planning **now**. With this as its goal our new regional high school committee has recently organized.

Within the course of the next five years, we face a possible registration of almost 300 pupils for these upper six grades. With our present housing this would mean that increasing inadequacies of **plant** and **program** are inevitable.

Consequently, the availability of the best possible **personnel** becomes that much more difficult to procure and retain.

For the splendid co-operation which has been extended to us by you and members of our school committee at Peters High School, may I express our sincere appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES A. HIGGISTON.

REPORT OF ART SUPERVISOR

Mr. Roger K. Poole
Superintendent of Schools
Southboro, Massachusetts

My dear Mr. Poole:

The following is my report as Art Supervisor in the Southboro Schools.

What is the position of the Art Supervisor in the present scheme of functional teaching? Is it to teach art as a separate subject with only the thought of instilling the love of beautiful things within the student — to know about famous artists and their work — and to learn various techniques about color, composition, etc., in regard to making pretty things?

Such ideas have long been discarded. It is vital to have a flexible program wherein the need of teacher and pupil can be dealt with when the need arises. Regardless of a planned program any deviation can be met and some art principle applied to the lesson at hand. This makes the art work functional and progressive.

Art teachers are expected to be equipped with some knowledge of all subject in the curriculum at all age levels. Naturally this is practically impossible unless much time is spent in research to keep up to date on current text books and ways and means of making the lessons more interesting and beneficial to the students. It is easier to be a guiding factor and develop more creative thinking and participation on the child's part with some conception of other school subjects. Therefore time and effort in such activity, although tedious, is not wasted.

Besides the many phases in which art correlates with the classroom program we make classroom decorations and table and home decoration of a seasonable nature and supply ideas for costumes and scenery for school activities.

Art as an intrinsic part of our nature is expressed daily in every subject in the curriculum; whether in appreciation of the beauties of Rome in Latin class, or the construction of mechanisms in Science class. In daily living, from the simple choosing of one's costume to the planning of costumes in fashion design, the same principles hold true.

Each group has done some outstanding work. Much of this has been due to extra effort on the part of the classroom teacher. I cannot begin to express my appreciation for the splendid cooperation I have received from the teaching staff.

For your understanding of the many problems that confront the special teacher and for the excellent counsel I have always received from you, I am very grateful.

Very truly yours,

MARGUERITE ELLIOTT PEASLEE,
Supervisor of Art.

REPORT OF MUSIC SUPERVISOR

Mr. Roger K. Poole,
Superintendent of Schools,
Southborough, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Poole:

Music occupies a distinctive place in education, and is recognized as a necessary part of the school curriculum from the primary grades through high school.

Its chief value lies in the fact that it opens another avenue of expression to the student, revealing to himself and to others new possibilities.

The secret success of music, as in other studies, lies in the preparatory work. Only by careful, individual instruction in the lower grades can satisfactory results be secured in later years.

We cannot put too much stress upon the importance of individual work, quality of tone, and sight-reading, which embodies not only a perception of intervals, but a decided sense of rhythm.

Our grammar school, junior high and high school students have presented musical programs which have served a two-fold purpose. These programs brought enjoyment not only to the students and others but provided valuable experience for them.

I wish to emphasize most heartily the ability of the regular teachers, whose co-operation has made a success of the study, and the faithful and studious work of the pupils, whose interest in, and love for the subject gives promise of still better results in the future.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY E. KEENAN,
Supervisor of Music.

REPORT OF SUPERVISOR OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Mr. Roger K. Poole
Superintendent of Schools
Southborough, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Poole,

I herewith submit my annual report as Supervisor of Physical Education.

Accepted educational theory points out that participation is the best road to all around development. Physical Education has come to be regarded as a method of education rather than a program designed for physical development alone. The physical education program is education by means of participation in the large muscle activities.

Health is only one of the major objectives of the physical education program. Development of the social qualities of courage, initiative, honesty, cooperation and self-confidence is just as important. For this reason our physical education program has been arranged with the intent of developing these desirable social qualities while acquiring the necessary motor skills by active participation in the large muscle activities of the "high organization" class. These are the team sports of football, soccer, basketball, baseball, and volleyball that we have been stressing to date. The boy or girl, therefore, is acquiring not only physical exercise but also the social graces and skills during game participation.

In addition to developing the child through the medium of team sports, we have allotted a large portion of time during the indoor season to the physical development of the student by instruction in the use of such apparatus as the parallel bars, the horse and the tumbling mats. These activities develop shoulders, back and arms to a high degree at the same time requiring various degrees of that social quality — courage.

An important, if not the most important, phase of education is the carry-over value the subject will have in the life of the student after his or her formal education is completed. Team sports serve a very definite need in the student's life but with the termination of school very few carry on active participation for any length of time. Because of this we allot a considerable amount of time, as mentioned in previous reports, to the instruction of and participation in individual sports such as

archery, tennis, badminton, bowling, and shuffleboard. Tournaments and competition are conducted annually. Such activities as these blend themselves to many healthful and satisfying hours of recreation long after school days are over.

The sports programs remain basically the same: league competition, intra-mural programs, and an annual Field Day.

The fifth and sixth grade boys and girls competed in a six school Field Day at West Boylston last May (1952) and did us all credit by scoring the greatest number of points in competition for their class.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN P. CLARK,
Supervisor of Physical Education.

REPORT OF ASSISTANT SUPERVISOR OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Mr. Roger K. Poole
Superintendent of Schools
Southborough, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Poole,

Rhythmical activities have played a part of the physical education program from the first grade through high school. This activity gives training in self-control, poise, and posture. Socially, it provides an intelligent and wholesome leisure time activity. In the primary grades, singing games begin the training in rhythm followed by simple folk dances. Some of these folk dances are correlated with the class-room studies as a means of illustrating social customs or of interpreting racial characteristics. As the children become more advanced, we include more difficult folk dances and square dances. We conclude with some of the basic steps of ball-room dancing.

Our game program begins with emphasis in the fundamental skills, such as running, jumping; and catching, throwing, bouncing, and kicking a ball. The highest form of play is team play; for here the children learn to work as a team, thinking what is best for the team rather than using effort for individual glory. We begin with relays and advance to Kick-ball,

which prepares the boys and girls for Soccer and Soft-ball. Team games play a large part of the program in the sixth grade through the high school. Some of these are; Newcomb, Hand Soft-ball, Volley Ball, Speedball, and Basketball.

Individual Sports have a place in our program. These are the games the girl will take part in after she leaves school. These include Badminton, Tennis, Tumbling and Track and Field.

We include exercises and posture drill which are closely related to health and personality. We are fortunate to have a few showers for the use of the girls following a physical education class. We have a foot bath to prevent the spread of athlete's foot. By the use of these, we hope to develop good health habits as well as cleanliness in grooming.

I have enjoyed my classes in physical education and appreciate all the cooperation I have received while I was substituting and teaching this year.

Respectfully submitted,

FLORENCE R. KINERSON,
Asst. Supervisor of Physical Education.

REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE

Mr. Roger K. Poole
Superintendent of Schools
Southborough, Massachusetts

Dear Sir:

My annual report for the year ending December 21, 1952, follows.

The Virus Infection hit the schools hard in March. There were 97 children absent on Monday, March 10. The closing of the schools for the remainder of that week I feel was effective.

The Massachusetts Hearing Test was given this year. There were 452 children tested with 15 failing the test.

With the basement room in the Annex being used for a classroom this year, the last available space for doing these tests has gone.

However, I hope some arrangement can be made so that these tests will not have to be discontinued until there is more school space available.

There were 9 cases of Measles, 58 cases of German Measles, 1 case of Chicken Pox, 1 case of Scarlet Fever, 15 cases of Mumps, and 1 case of Whooping Cough during the school year.

The Well Child Conferences and annual vaccination clinics were held in May.

Dr. Webster did the annual dental examinations in October.

Dr. Stone started the annual physical examinations during the fall term.

The new State regulations for the physical examination of school children will require only minor changes in the program we have already established.

The co-operation I receive from you, the faculty, and the parents is deeply appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

RACHEL A. HOSMER, R. N.

REPORT OF SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Mr. Roger K. Poole
Superintendent of Schools
Southborough, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Poole:

The past year of school health programming has been one of no great change. Procedures heretofore adopted insofar as periodic student examinations are concerned are working smoothly. The general health of the student population is good.

The matter of periodic "booster" immunization injections of Diphtheria and Tetanus toxoids is raising a problem since for technical reasons it is becoming increasingly difficult to give such injections on a mass basis. It is hoped that, in the spring, a program can be worked out in which immunization injections

will be given on parental request to smaller groups, but at more frequent intervals — e.g., annually to fifth or sixth grade pupils.

This opportunity is taken to remind parents of the annual free vaccination clinic for candidates for the first grade to take place in late May or in June.

Respectfully submitted,

TIMOTHY P. STONE, M. D.,
School Physician.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Southboro School Department

For Year Ending December 31, 1952

SCHOOL ACCOUNT

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

Appropriation	\$110,159.00
Total Receipts	\$110,159.00

SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES

Expenses of Instruction	
Teachers' Salaries	\$70,647.98
Textbooks	1,913.64
Supplies	3,154.68
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	\$75,716.30
Operation of School Plant	
Janitors' Salaries	\$6,100.67
Fuel	3,337.18
Miscellaneous Operation	2,110.36
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	\$11,548.21
Maintenance of School Plant	
Repairs	\$2,325.40
Outlay	3,297.40
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	\$5,622.80

Auxiliary Agencies

Libraries	\$171.77
Health	1,655.18
Transportation	10,879.80
Tuition	—
Miscellaneous	222.47

\$12,929.22

General Control

Supt's. Salary & Expense	\$2,918.94
Office Expense	1,233.08
Other Expense	164.01

\$4,316.03

Unexpended Balance 26.44

TOTAL SCHOOL ACCOUNT

\$110,159.00

VOCATIONAL EDUCATION ACCOUNT

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

Appropriation \$4,312.00

SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES

Vocational Tuition	\$2,661.24
Vocational Transportation	952.23

\$3,613.47

Unexpended balance 698.53

TOTAL VOCATIONAL EDUCATION ACCOUNT \$4,312.00

TOILET AND LOCKER FACILITIES, SOUTH UNION SCHOOL

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

Balance from 1951 \$2,797.11

SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES

Total expenditures	\$973.88
Unexpended balance	1,823.23

TOTAL TOILET AND LOCKER FACILITIES,
SOUTH UNION SCHOOL

\$2,797.11

ROOF & PAINTING, SOUTH UNION SCHOOL

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

Appropriation	\$6,000.00
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SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES

Total expenditures	\$5,745.25
Unexpended balance	254.75

TOTAL ROOF & PAINTING, SOUTH UNION SCHOOL	\$6,000.00
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HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ACCOUNT

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

Balance from 1951	\$232.75
Appropriation	500.00
Miscellaneous Receipts	517.06

Total Receipts	\$1,249.81
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SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES

Total Expenditures	\$1,177.17
Balance to 1953	72.64

TOTAL HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ACCOUNT	\$1,249.81
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SCHOOL LUNCH ACCOUNT

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

Balance from 1951	\$694.76
Lunchroom receipts and state aid	7,295.94

Total Receipts	\$7,990.70
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SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES

Total Expenditures	\$7,532.13
Balance to 1953	458.57

TOTAL SCHOOL LUNCH ACCOUNT	\$7,990.70
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NET COST OF OPERATION OF SCHOOLS
FROM LOCAL TAXATION

Expenditures from Tax Funds, 1952:	
School Account	\$110,132.56

Vocational Education Account	3,613.47
Toilet and Locker Facilities, South Union	973.88
Roof and Painting, South Union	5,745.25
High School Athletic Account	500.00

Total Expenditures for Tax Funds \$120,965.16
Income Accruing During 1952 on Account
of Schools:

State Reimbursements:

Chapter 70	\$19,323.47
Superintendent's salary and expense	1,493.33
Transportation	8,394.80
Vocational tuition and transportation	1,235.95
State wards, tuition and transportation	3,613.71
Non-resident tuition	95.19
Petty cash receipts	48.85

Less total income \$34,205.30

Net Cost of Operation of Schools from Local
Taxation \$86,759.86

SOUTHBORO TEACHERS' SALARY SCHEDULE

Sept. 1, 1953

Professional

Training Teaching Experience	3 Years or Less (Non-Degree)	4 Years (Bachelor's Degree)	5 Years (Master's Degree)
0	(1) 2400	(10) 2600	(19) 2800
1	(2) 2550	(11) 2750	(20) 2950
2	(3) 2700	(12) 2900	(21) 3100

Semester hours
of postgraduate
training (approved
course) to qualify
for further increase.

3	(4) 2850	(13) 3050	(22) 3250
4	(5) 3000	(14) 3200	(23) 3400

Semester hours
of postgraduate
training (approved
course) to qualify
for further increase.

graduate ing (approved) to qualify urther increase.	3		2		1	
5	(6)	3150	(15)	3350	(24)	3550
6	(7)	3300	(16)	3500	(25)	3700

Semester hours
of postgraduate
training (approved
course) to qualify
for further increase.

graduate ing (approved) to qualify urther increase.	3		2		1	
7	(8)	3450	(17)	3650	(26)	3850

Maxi-
mum (8)

(9)	3600	(18)	3800	(27)	4000
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3 semester hours postgraduate study every 3 years to remain
at maximum.

Sick Leave — In case of personal illness or death in the im-
mediate family each teacher is entitled to ten school days sick
leave without loss of pay. Sick leave is cumulative up to a
maximum of thirty school days in three years. Deductions for
absence because of sickness beyond the period of sick leave,
or for absence resulting from other causes, will be taken at the
rate of one one hundred eightieth of the annual salary for each
day of absence.

Termination pay — In case a teacher should find it necessary
to resign her position at any time during the school year, salary
paid for the partial year will be in the same proportion to the
annual salary as the number of days taught bears to the num-
ber of school days in the school year.

Outside Experience Credit — Upon entering the service of
the Southboro Schools not more than four years of outside ex-
perience will be allowed for salary credit.

Registration of Minors as of October 1, 1952

	5-7 years	7-16 years	Total
Boys	62	227	289
Girls	66	199	265
	<hr/> 128	<hr/> 426	<hr/> 554

Enrolled in Public Schools	65	366	431
In vocational schools		2	2
In private schools	5	55	60
In state and county institutions and special schools for defectives and delinquents		1	1
Not enrolled in any school	58	2	60
	<u>128</u>	<u>426</u>	<u>554</u>

Enrollment by Grades October 1, 1952

Grades	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Total
Fayville	10	6	10										26
Peters H. S.							48	28	24	25	20	28	173
Peters Annex	26	30	28	28	24	31							167
So. Union	17	21	16	25	18	16							113
	<u>53</u>	<u>57</u>	<u>54</u>	<u>53</u>	<u>42</u>	<u>47</u>	<u>48</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>479</u>

THE SCHOOL CALENDAR

An effort is being made in most of the towns and cities in Worcester County to adopt a standardized school calendar for general use throughout the county. Our school committee has been glad to cooperate along this line. The advantages of a standardized calendar are obvious. As a service to parents we are printing this year the standardized school calendar formula, from it citizens should be able to predict school vacations year in advance wherever necessary. There may be a few occasions where local circumstances make diversion from it necessary but in general the school year in this town will be determined on the basis shown below.

STANDARIZED SCHOOL CALENDAR

Schools open Wednesday following Labor Day. This varies from September 3 to September 9.

Close Columbus Day and if this falls on Tuesday or Thursday schools close Monday or Friday also.

Close on day of Teachers Convention (1st Friday in Nov.)

Close on Armistice Day.

Close Thanksgiving day and the next day.

Close for Christmas as follows:

If Christmas is Sunday, Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday close the preceding Friday.

If Christmas is Thursday, Friday or Saturday close the second preceding day.

Open the first school day after January 1st unless January 1st is Wednesday or Thursday in which case open the following Monday.

Close the weeks including the observances of Washington's Birthday and Patriot's Day except when these days occur on Saturday, in which case close the following week.

Close Good Friday.

Close Memorial Day (the same practice as is followed Columbus Day is followed here.)

Close for summer when teachers have 180 days of school on register.

This should usually occur June 14 - 20.

SCHOOL CALENDAR 1953 - 1954

Southborough Public Schools

Term	Open		Close		No-School	Days
First	Sept.	9	Dec.	23	Oct. 12, Nov. 6, 11, 26, and 27	71
Second	Jan.	4	Feb.	19		35
Third	March	1	April	15		34
Fourth	April	26	June	23	May 31	42
Total Days						182

SCHOOL CALENDAR 1952 - 1953

Southborough Public Schools

Term	Open	Close	No-School	Days
First	Sept. 3	Dec. 19	Oct. 13, Nov. 7, 10, 11, 27, and 28	72
Second	Jan. 5	Feb. 20		35
Third	March 2	April 17	April 3	34
Fourth	April 27	June 19		40
Total				<hr/> 181

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